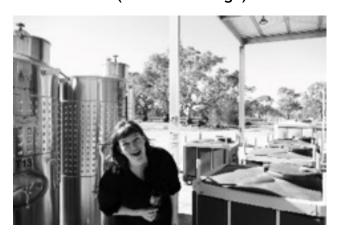
## Matilda Innes (Associate Judge)



Born in Coonawarra, Matilda declared at a young age 'I'm going to be a winemaker' but discovered her creative flair was stronger than the desire to study sciences. She went on to study Communication Design and Fine Arts in Melbourne, working in hospitality to supplement her studies. She soon 're-found' her passion for food and wine, completing WSET Level 3 in 2016. In 2017 Matilda and her partner Paul relocated back to Coonawarra to help run the family businesses Fodder and Ottelia. Alongside Paul and her mum Melissa, she helps run Fodder, whilst working with and learning from her dad John in the winery. She is undertaking the WSET Diploma and looks forward to launching a new wine label 'Taschini' later in the year.