



2013 Single Vineyard Shiraz

Tasting Note

Our Single Vineyard Shiraz is a pure expression of our unique McLaren Vale site - an ethereal wine of both poise and power. After spending up to two years in French oak barrels it has developed considerable complexity with a tantalising balance of opulent fruit and savoury notes. Heady aromas of blueberry and chocolate are underpinned by subtle star anise, violet and earthy characters, along with structured, fine-grained tannins. Enjoy now or, if you can bear to wait, for many years to come.

Varietal: Shiraz

Vintage: 2013

Region: McLaren Vale

ALC/VOL: 14.5%

Winemaker: Scott Rawlinson

Our Vineyards

All fruit for our Single Vineyard range comes from our stunning 64 acre vineyard, located in the southern foothills of the McLaren Vale region. Its unique position, just 2km away from the coast of the Gulf St Vincent, allows the vines to benefit from a maritime climate with cooling afternoon sea breezes coming in from the south west. These breezes prevent our fruit from over-ripening so that we are able to produce elegant wines that balance rich primary fruit flavours with the characteristic earthiness and minerality associated with the region.

Winemaking Notes

Our Single Vineyard wines are made using traditional labour-intensive methods. The 2013 Shiraz was matured for a period of 22 months in fine-grained French oak barrels (40% new) prior to blending and bottling. The wine is neither fined nor filtered so that the integrity and unique flavour profile of the Shiraz shine through.

Vintage Overview

2013 was a warm vintage with an almost perfect combination of warm days and mild nights during the ripening period. Yields were slightly below average because of long dry spells through spring and summer, however the flavours in the fruit were both rich and intense. Overall quality is high.

Accolades

Gold Medal - Sydney International Wine Competition 2015

Gold Medal - WSWA USA Wine Competition 2016

91 Points - James Halliday Wine Companion

“Comes at you with all regional guns blazing. If you value the interaction of place and variety, there’s no better example than McLaren Vale, its signature stamped hard on the wine, liquorice and dusty black forest cake flavours to the fore of this medium to full-bodied palate.”

