



2012 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: 2012

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. The vineyards are planted exclusively with Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes - our sole objective is to produce the best possible wines that reflect our unique vineyard site.

Winemaking Notes

Our Single Vineyard wines are made using traditional labour-intensive methods. The 2012 Shiraz was matured for a period of 23 months in premium French oak (35% 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

The 2012 McLaren Vale vintage was characterised by low yields of excellent quality. Cool nights and warm days during February and March allowed for ideal conditions for grape development. Our red wines from 2012 are rich, with a great depth of flavour and plenty of varietal character.

Accolades

93 Points - James Halliday Wine Companion 2016

“Dark berried flavour infused with coffee oak. Both are in good proportion. Satisfying and smooth with a bright finish, courtesy of a late burst of redder-berried fruits. Fine lace work of tannin elevates it further.”