

Geoff Merrill

2012

Shiraz Grenache Mourvedre

BUSH VINE

McLaren Vale

WINEMAKERS NOTES

The colour is a dark brick red with blood red hues. The aroma shows savoury spiced meats and wild berry fruits. The palate is soft and mouth filling with fine fleshy fruit on the mid palate. Good acidity and structure completes the wine ensuring it is very drinkable indeed.

Great with pizza, steak, bbq and sweet/spicy Asian beef.

VINTAGE INFORMATION

More vigorous canopy growth during bud development in 2011, ensured fewer bunches per vine and lighter bunch weights for the 2012 vintage effectively dropping yield rates 35 - 50%.

For the most part, growing conditions were optimal right through the growing season with a few temperature and rainfall events which caused some anxiety.

Immediately following the high temperatures was some cool weather and a large rain event which slowed down ripening and allowed the vintage to progress at a good rate.

WINEMAKERS

Geoff Merrill & Scott Heidrich

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Variety: Shiraz (45%) Grenache (45%) Mourvedre (10%)

Growing Region: McLaren Vale

Oak Handling: 20months in old American Oak hogsheads & puncheons

Harvest Date: March 2012

14.5% alc, pH 3.39, TA 76.9g/l, RS 2.8g/l

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