

Geoff Merrill Wines



Bush Vine Shiraz Grenache Mourvèdre 2013

THE NAME

"Named after the beautiful old Bush Vine Grenache vineyard owned by mates of mine in McLaren Vale. The Grenache component in this wine is hand picked to best preserve this glorious old vineyard. We have been taking fruit from this block for many years and it's one of our favourites." - Geoff Merrill

VINTAGE INFORMATION

The 2013 vintage was a welcome return to a fairly 'normal' vintage. We had good winter and spring rains and only a small reduction in yield across a few varieties.

The ripening period had a small heat 'hiccup' but the vines made it through unscathed and ripening continued extremely well enabling us to pick at full flavour ripeness.

WINEMAKERS NOTES

The colour is a dark red with good depth. Immediately from the glass comes a bright ripe cherry note with spice, earth and raspberry. The palate is well balanced and perfectly weighted for this medium bodied blend style.

Clean red fruits and berries come forward with complex herbs and spice appearing on the finish. Smooth tannins and overall mouthfeel are complemented by the subtle acidity on the finish, ensuring a very food friendly and drinkable wine.

"Drink now to 2025 with pizza, bbq lamb, lasagne and pasta with putanesca sauce."

WINEMAKERS

Geoff Merrill & Scott Heidrich

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Variety: Shiraz 54% / Grenache 37% / Mourvèdre 9%

Oak Treatment: 20 months in seasoned American & French oak puncheons.

Region: McLaren Vale

Harvest Date: March 2013

Alc: 14.5%, **pH:** 3.26, **TA:** 7.8 g/L, **RS:** 0.5 g/L