



# SHINGLEBACK

M c L A R E N V A L E

## Shingleback D Block Shiraz 2021

McLaren Vale in South Australia is renowned as a premium wine growing area of great beauty that consistently produces high quality, richly flavoured wines. Fruit for the Shingleback wines is sourced from The Davey Estate Vineyard, located in Whites Valley at the southern end of the acclaimed wine region. In a small niche of the Davey Estate Vineyard the soil, climate & Shiraz combine to create something special - the fruit that is ultimately hand crafted to become D Block Reserve Shiraz.

### GRAPE VARIETY

Shiraz

### VINTAGE

2021

### COLOUR

Deep, ruby red.

### NOSE

Bouquet is vibrant, with aromas of blueberry and blackberry.

### PALATE

The palate reveals layers of rich blue and black fruits, dark chocolate, and oak spice.

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A warm start to the vintage period but a long cool period over most of summer and autumn lead to excellent flavour maturity balance perfectly with sugar ripeness. Enhanced natural acidity allowed for great colour retention and depth, and produced wines which were a joy to craft.

### WINEMAKING

Gentle hand working of the skins in small 5 tonne open fermenters and traditional winemaking practices protect & nurture the unique qualities of the terroir. Very fine grained French (80%) & American (20%) oak hogsheads are used to allow a long, slow maturation of the wine & subtle oak integration. A combination of 1 - 6 year old barrels, crafted by select coopers to our requirements, are used to create nuances & diversity of flavour.

When maturation & oak integration are perfect, individual barrels are selected & blended to create the fruit power, complexity & harmonious balance that is Shingleback D Block Reserve Shiraz.

### TASTING NOTE

A densely flavored wine with remarkable complexity, showcasing intense dark chocolate, blueberry, plum, licorice, and roasted coffee bean notes. With fine, silky tannins, this Shiraz is beautifully balanced and persistent in flavor, making it an excellent example of the generous and pure characteristics of McLaren Vale Shiraz.

### WINE ANALYSIS

Alc/Vol%: 14.5  
pH: 3.62  
RS: 6.36

### CELLARING POTENTIAL

Up to 10 years

### WINEMAKER

Mark Jamieson

### AWARDS & ACCOLADES

Pellenc Trophy, Gold - Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2024

Gold - Syrah du Monde France 2023

Silver - Perth Royal Wine Awards

1 Merit Rating (Wines that reliably achieve gold and silver ribbons in recent vintages, with top vintages achieving 95 points or more) - The Real Review 2023

