

BEC HARDY

SHIRAZ 2023

McLaren Vale



STORY: This Bec Hardy Shiraz is sourced from McLaren Vale, one of the most renowned regions in Australia when it comes to Shiraz. This fantastic Shiraz is the perfect example of why this is the case!

Vineyard: This Shiraz is a blend of two different vineyards; the Lower Tintara vineyard, originally planted by Thomas Hardy in the 1880s, located on Kays Road in the Blewitt Springs sub-region of McLaren Vale - this block of Shiraz was planted 6 years ago. The second block is Rayner's 30 year old Heritage Block in McLaren Flat. The Rayner 'Heritage' block is named as the block was planted using cuttings from some of the best local Shiraz blocks of the time - we think it's a wonderful tribute to the influential grape growers of the region including Bob Hardy and Don Oliver.

Soils: The Lower Tintara vineyard is on sandy loam soils called Maslin Sands, which are between 34 and 56 million years old. The Rayner 'Heritage' Block is planted on clay, the dominant soil type in McLaren Flat.

Harvest Date: 22 March 2023 (Lower Tintara), 28 March 2023 (Heritage Block)

Winemaking: Parcels were harvested and fermented separately in static stainless steel fermenters for 9 days on skins before pressing directly to oak. This wine was matured for 10 months in a combination of both French and American hogsheads before blending and bottling.

Nose: This Shiraz has a rich chocolate nose with dark plum fruits.

Palate: The palate is a plush balance of dark red fruit flavours and generous soft mocha oak. Supple tannins give length and generosity.

Cellaring: Drink now to 2030

Awards: 94 points – Wine Pilot Apr 2024

VARIETY: Shiraz

REGION: McLaren Vale

CLOSURE TYPE: Screwcap

ALC/VOL: 14.6%

pH: 3.67

TITRATABLE ACID (g/L): 6.15

RESIDUAL SUGAR Glucose + Fructose (g/L): 1.0

BOTTLE GLASS WEIGHT (g): 360g

BOTTLE BARCODE: 9355811000055

BOTTLES PER CASE: 6

CASE CONFIGURATION: 32 cartons / layer, 4 layers

CASES PER PALLET: 128 **CASE WEIGHT (kg):** 8

CASE DIMENSIONS (cm): 23 (l) x 16 (w) x 30 (h)

CASE BARCODE: 29355811000226



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