



Pertaringa

McLaren Vale · Australia



Stage Left 2012

Merlot

Adelaide

Story

This wine is called Stage Left Merlot as the variety has never been centre stage in the vineyard theatre of McLaren Vale. We think that it should be enjoyed for its unique interpretation of this beloved Bordeaux variety.

Vintage

The 2012 vintage was dry and conditions during ripening were excellent, with mild days and cool to cold nights ensuring good acidity in the fruit. The generally lower crop potential and large canopies resulted in rapid ripening in early varieties and some of the best quality fruit for a number of years.

Nose

The nose displays aromas of ripe blackberry, plum and spearmint with earthier notes reminiscent of freshly turned earth and wild strawberries.

Palate

This wine is soft and round on the palate, layered with hints of mulberry, black forest cake and rich dark chocolate with complementing velvety tannins to finish.

Pairing

Chargrilled Kangaroo with charred beetroot, sweet potato mash and lavender and sage butter.

Cellaring

Drink now to 2020

Winemaker - Shane Harris

Alc - 13.5% TA - 6.76g/L pH - 3.35 RS - 2.0g/L