

BEC HARDY Pertaringa

## **UNDERCOVER SHIRAZ 2020**

McLaren Vale

**VINTAGE**: The start of the 2020 growing season was dry with warmer than average temperatures. Heat and wind during flowering led to lower fruit set and subsequently lower yields at harvest. The temperatures became milder from late January, allowing the vines to recover and helping maintain acidity. Although crops were down considerably this vintage, they quality has been fantastic.

**STORY**: The Undercover Shiraz is named in recognition of McLaren Vale's history of supplying other regions with our finest red grapes. Known as the mid palate of Australia, McLaren Vale fruit is well regarded for its ability to improve the quality and richness of wines from other regions.

**NOSE:** This Shiraz offers aromas of plush dark fruits including black plums, black cherries, blackcurrant and liquorice with Asian spices and a subtle hint of mint.

**PALATE:** Behind the black fruits on the elegant palate are notes of cinnamon, vanilla and raspberry. This wine has soft velvety tannins, which provide a long finish.

CELLARING: Drink now to 2028

VARIETY: Shiraz REGION: McLaren Vale

VINEYARDS: Lower Tintara / Conte / Klaveniek

SOIL TYPE: Sandy loam / sand over clay / Biscay soils

**GEOLOGY:** Maslin Sands (34 to 56 million years) / Ngaltinga Formation (10,000 to 2.6 million years)

**WINEMAKING:** Small batch open fermenters, 15% new oak for 18 months

ALC/VOL: 15.0%

**pH:** 3.55

TITRATABLE ACID (g/L): 6.70

RESIDUAL SUGAR Glucose + Fructose (g/L): 0.7

CLOSURE TYPE: Screwcap

BOTTLE GLASS WEIGHT (g): 560g

BOTTLE BARCODE: 9355811002042

BOTTLES PER CASE: 6

CASE CONFIGURATION: 26 cartons / layer, 4 layers

CASES PER PALLET: 104

CASE DIMENSIONS (cm): 26.5 (l) x 18 (w) x 30 (h)

CASE WEIGHT (kg): 8

CASE BARCODE: 29355811002046



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