



Angove Family Winemakers is a fifth generation family business dedicated to crafting super premium and single vineyard wines from McLaren Vale, together with diverse wines from some of South Australia's great wine growing regions.

VARIETAL

Shiraz - 55%
Grenache - 45%

REGION

McLaren Vale

BARREL AGEING

10 months in French oak
Puncheons

TECHNICAL

Alcohol - 14.0%
pH - 3.62
Residual Sugar - 0.6g/L
Total Acidity - 6.0g/L

CELLAR POTENTIAL

2036

WINEMAKER

Tony Ingle

CASES MADE

300

Certified Organic
Vegan Friendly



WARBOYS VINEYARD

2017 SHIRAZ GRENACHE

McLAREN VALE

VINEYARD & VINTAGE

Sourced from our Warboys Vineyard in McLaren Vale.

A wet winter and spring set the 2017 growing season up well. Budburst and flowering occurred 2 – 3 weeks later than normal due to cooler than average temperatures. Thankfully, stable dry conditions occurred at flowering resulting in excellent fruit set. Good canopy management and an easing in the wet weather mid-January kept disease pressure under control. Cooler summer temperatures lead to later than usual veraison and warm days and cold nights provided perfect conditions for flavour development and ripening. Mild weather from February to April resulted in 2017 being one of the latest harvests on record. Wines from this vintage are lively, aromatic and vibrant with delicious dark berry flavours and spice, finishing with resounding length and delicacy.

WINEMAKING

The Shiraz grapes from our 1930's planting were hand-picked and spread for triage pre-crushing into small ½ tonne fermenters, which were then placed in a cool room and chilled to between 5 and 10°C. Here they stayed macerating the skins. We were then able to co-ferment a small parcel of the 1930's planted Grenache with some of this Shiraz when it was harvested a week later.

The cold Shiraz was placed in the bottom of some small fermenters and the Grenache crushed in on top. This, combined with a couple of fermenters that had whole bunches of Grenache layered on the bottom onto which were crushed more berries, has added complexity to the final wine. Basket-pressed at the end of fermentation, with the press wine and free run being transferred to older French oak hogsheads and 1 year old French puncheons. Assemblage was conducted pre-bottling in February 2018.

TASTING NOTE

Rich crimson with intense purple hues. Highly aromatic spice, licorice and plum from the Shiraz combine with the dark forest berries of the Grenache. Delicious dark red berry and plum spice, white pepper and a real taste of the Warboys Vineyard, this wine has soft silky tannins with great length and depth of flavour. This will age well over the next 4 years, but last much longer with careful cellaring.

