



# 2012 SHORT ROW SHIRAZ

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## APPEARANCE

Deep purple / crimson.

## BOUQUET

Fresh aromas of plums, black cherry and roasted nut intertwined with cinnamon, vanilla and dark chocolate.

## PALATE

Rich fruit driven front palate is jam packed with plums and black cherries. The mid palate is all strawberries and cream with lashings of vanilla custard. This fruit richness and luscious mid palate is the hallmark of this wine style, with sympathetic and balanced oak completing the traditional Shiraz flavour and structural profile. The youthful grape tannins provide a gritty texture and firm length that will soften and integrate with age.

## WINEMAKING

This wine is selected from intense and powerful Shiraz parcels from our best McLaren Vale vineyard blocks, with the variation in sites contributing different layers of flavour and tannin textures that defines the wine. The fruit was fermented on skins for 7 - 10 days in open fermenters prior to pressing, with 90% of the wine undergoing barrel fermentation.

Maturation was in varying proportions of new and one year old French and American oak barrels for 19 months. The components are selected for this wine based on their fruit intensity, richness, structure and the integration or style of oak.

## ALCOHOL

14.5% by vol.

## WINEMAKERS

Scott Zrna & Ben Tanzer

## VITICULTURE

Nick Wiltshire

## AGEING POTENTIAL

Approachable from early 2014 its peak drinking should be 2015 - 2024

## AWARDS

Best Red Wine of Australia Award, Mundus Vini International Wine Awards 2014  
Grand Gold Medal, Mundus Vini International Wine Awards 2014  
Double Gold Medal, China Wine & Spirits Awards 2014  
Double Gold Medal, China Wine & Spirits Awards Best Value 2014  
Gold Medal, AWC Vienna 2014  
Gold Medal, Alliances du Monde; International Wine & Barrel Competition 2014  
Gold Medal, International Wine Guide 2014  
Gold Medal, Lyon International Wine Competition 2014  
Gold Medal, Berlin Wine Trophy 2014  
Gold Medal, Catavinum World Wine and Spirits Competition 2014  
Silver Medal, Decanter Asia Wine Awards 2014  
Silver Medal, Perth Royal Wine Show 2014  
Silver Medal, Japan Wine Challenge 2014  
Silver Medal, Shanghai International Wine Challenge 2014  
Silver Medal, Decanter World Wine Awards 2014  
Silver Medal, International Wine Challenge 2014 Tranche 2  
Silver Medal, Concours Mondial de Bruxelles  
Silver Medal, Wine & Spirits Asia Wine Challenge 2014  
Silver Medal, Challenge International du Vin 2014  
93 points (Gold Medal) Wine Showcase Magazine New Release Tasting May 2014  
4.5 stars [Top of Category] "New Release Shiraz \$25 - \$35" Winestate Magazine New Releases Tasting May / June 2014  
4.5 Stars (Finalist for Wine of the Year Awards), McLaren Vale Tasting Winestate Magazine July/August 2014  
4 Stars, World's Greatest Shiraz Challenge Tasting Winestate Magazine September / October 2014  
Winestate Magazine Wine of the Year Top 5 Category Finalist 2014

