



# FOX CREEK

## 2014 SHORT ROW SHIRAZ



### APPEARANCE

Deep garnet with purple hues.

### BOUQUET

Fresh aromas of plums, black cherry, coffee and toffee intertwined with cinnamon, nutmeg and vanilla bean.

### PALATE

Rich and vibrant fruit driven front palate is jam packed with plums, strawberries and black cherries. The mid palate is all strawberries and custard with dressed with hints of milk chocolate. The youthful grape tannins provide a tacky 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 Short Row style.

2014 had a moderate ripening season, with harvest occurring between mid February and mid March. Timing of the harvest period was in line with most years, the fruit enjoyed the moderate conditions that has preserved the vibrant flavours providing a fabulous foil for the wines richness and intensity.

Fermentation on skins was for 8 - 11 days, with 90% of the wine completing fermentation in barrel for added texture and to advance the integration of oak and grape tannins. During maturation the wine from each vineyard batch is targeted with appropriate oak styles to produce an array of base wines for us to use in blending. Maturation was for 19 months in both new, one and two year old oak barrels. The components are selected for this wine based on their fruit intensity, richness, structure and the integration of oak.

### ALCOHOL

14.5% by vol.

### WINEMAKERS

Scott Zrna + Ben Tanzer

### AGEING

Approachable from mid 2016 its peak drinking should be 2017 - 2028



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### AWARDS

Gold Medal, Catavinum World Wine & Spirits Competition 2016

Gold Medal, Mundus Vini Spring 2016

Gold Medal, Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2016

Gold Medal, DWM Portugal Wine Trophy 2016

Gold Medal, Sélections Mondiales des Vins Canada Canada 2016