



CHAPEL HILL



Minimal additions
Gentle winemaking

THE PARSON SHIRAZ 2020

The Winery

Chapel Hill Winery was built on the site of the historic Seaview Chapel. The Chapel was built in 1865 and now serves as our tasting room. The first vines were planted at Chapel Hill in 1972 and the first vintage was in 1975.

“At Chapel Hill there exists a deep respect for our land and vines, this inspires our vision to handcraft wines with purity and balance. All of the grapes and wines are handled gently, in small batches to showcase the wonderful site and varietal characters of McLaren Vale.”

Winemakers: Michael Fragos and Bryn Richards

The Vintage

Soil profiles at Chapel Hill reached capacity early in winter and set the vines up well for a challenging season. Budburst was at the usual time and a warm, dry spring followed. The conditions kept disease pressure low and reduced vine vigour and yield.

Whilst summer started out very hot, the season cooled through January. February brought welcome rain to freshen up the vines. The cool weather continued into harvest allowing fruit to be picked at optimum ripeness and plenty of time for extra care in the winery.

Viticulturist: Rachel Steer

The Wine

The Parson Shiraz is the perfect gateway to McLaren Vale Shiraz and it's evocative array of fruit flavours and textures. This wine displays generous aromas of mulberries, dusted with exotic Indian spices. The luscious palate is brimming with both aniseed and satsuma plum flavours that seamlessly integrate into the persistent mouth coating tannins.

Wine Specifications

Variety:	Shiraz
Region:	McLaren Vale
Harvest date:	25 th February to 12 th March 2020
Oak ageing:	100% French Oak 12 months
pH:	3.77
Acidity:	5.6 g/L
Alcohol:	14.5 % v/v
Bottling date:	June 2021
Release date:	Sept 2021
Closure:	Screw cap

*Gently made without the use of fining agents
Suitable for vegetarians and vegans*

Reviews

97 pts / Top Gold McLaren Vale Wine Show, 2021
“Best One Year Old or Younger Shiraz”

93 pts Andrew Caillard MW

“Medium deep colour. Fresh blackberry chinotto aromas with hints of marzipan. Inky palate with attractive blackberry, raspberry fruits, fine chalky/ grainy tannins and underlying roasted almond, spicy, aniseed notes. Finishes claret-firm. Delicious early drinking style. Drink now – 2025”

Gold Royal Melbourne Wine Awards, 2021

91 pts / Silver Rutherglen Wine Show 2021

91 pts / Silver Royal Adelaide Wine Show