

Yangarra is a single-vineyard estate situated in Blewitt Springs, at the northern edge of the McLaren Vale region, South Australia. Yangarra's combination of ancient geology, high altitude and Mediterranean climate provide the ideal growing conditions for the best grape varieties of the southern Rhône.

2021 SHIRAZ

From the old-world Rhône Syrah to the South Australian red sweetheart, Shiraz evolves once again in the sandy soils of Blewitt Springs. Sourced from six unique blocks on our elevated site, the elegant Yangarra Shiraz is shaped by its connection to the sand and ironstone soils that overlie the ancient North Maslin Sands geological formation beneath.

VINTAGE SUMMARY

A favourable growing season, with good winter rains, a mild flowering and fruit set period and continued spring rainfall. Vines showed good balance of shoot vigour and moderate berry size. The ripening period that began late January was very cool, with some welcome rainfall in mid-February. The cold nights and mild sunny days in March slowed sugar accumulation, resulting in excellent fruit ripeness and intensity.

WINEMAKING

Sourced from six blocks within the estate. Approximately 50% on sand, 50% on ironstone. Destemmed and selectively sorted. 50% whole berries. Wild yeast ferment. Open fermenters and on skins for up to 20 days. A gentle maceration principle of wetting the cap and only draining and returning when reductive. No pressings are used in this wine. Elevage on lees in 25% new, remainder 1 to 3 year French oak puncheons for 12 months.

ACCLAIM

92 POINTS — Ned Goodwin, Halliday Wine Companion, December 2022

90 POINTS — Aaron Brasher, The Real Review, January 2023

90 POINTS — Huon Hooke, The Real Review, February 2023



SHIRAZ

VARIETY 100% Shiraz

YEAR PLANTED 1999

REGION Blewitt Springs, McLaren Vale

SOIL Sand and ironstone

GEOLOGY North Maslin Sands (54 million years old)

ELEVATION 175 - 195m above sea level

ALCOHOL 14.0%



WINEMAKER: Peter Fraser

VITICULTURALIST: Michael Lane