

# Geoff Merrill Wines

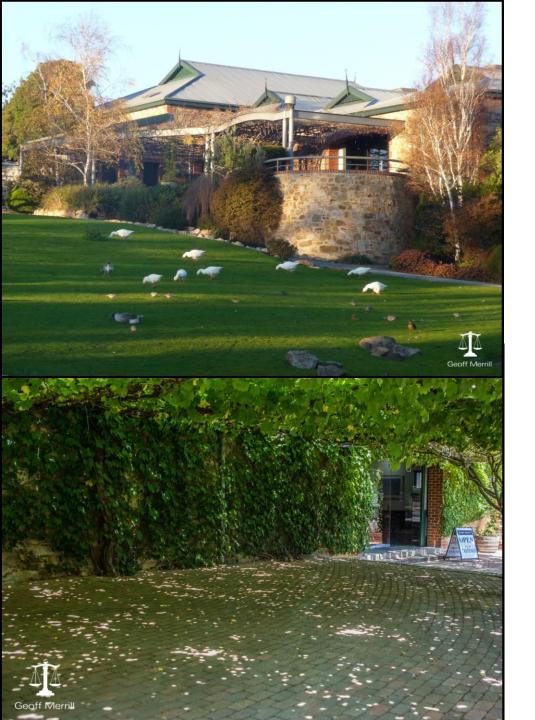
**Geoff Merrill Wines** is a family owned winery based in McLaren Vale, South Australia.

Established in 1980, Geoff Merrill's wines are created for those with an appreciation for aged fine wines, providing a range for special occasion, gifting, celebrations and to be enjoyed with family and friends.

Geoff Merrill Wines are unique as we only release wines when we believe they are showing their best drinking flavours.

Geoff Merrill Wines has held a '5 Red Star' rating in the Halliday Australian Wine Companion for eight consecutive years.





# Mount Hurtle Winery

Built in 1897, **Mount Hurtle Winery** was set on 200 acres of prime Reynella hillside. The winery itself was innovative for its time, using the principles of gravity to feed wine throughout the cellars. Because of this, the building is now state heritage listed.

Today, **Mount Hurtle Winery** is an oasis among suburbia, nestled in 4 acres of vineyards and landscaped gardens. It is hard to believe when Geoff purchased Mount Hurtle in 1985 it was a derelict building, run down and dilapidated. It required two years of love, hard work and special vision by Geoff and his supporters to restore the winery and vineyard to its former glory.

While retaining an almost Tuscan charm, the original winery and the 1500 square metre barrel maturation cellar, completed in 1998, now perfectly copes with the rigors of modern-day winemaking. A large family of geese and ducks also inhabit the winery grounds and dam near the front entrance to the estate.





### 2006 Henley Shiraz

"Henley is named in honour of my Grandfather, who passed away at the ripe old age of 102. This wine is the best of the best of our McLaren Vale Shiraz and only a maximum of 10 barrels of the Vintage are set aside for Henley." - **Geoff Merrill** 

97 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)
95 points - James Halliday (Halliday Australian Wine Companion)
95 points - Australian Wine Showcase Magazine

"A magnificent offering; the immensely complex bouquet shows blackberry, plum jam, cake spice, cocoa and cedar characters with a subtle lift of floral. The palate is superbly concentrated and sumptuous, exhibiting outstanding depth and power, brilliantly framed by velvety tannins. Seamless and impressively long on the finish. **5 stars**."

# 2016 Parham Cabernet Sauvignon

"Parham is named in honour of my Grandfather, who passed away at the ripe old age of 102. This youthful red wine has the same essence of longevity and is selected from fruit grown in two of our premium, company owned vineyards." - **Geoff Merrill** 

> 97 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit) 95 points - Ray Jordan (The West Australian) 95 points - Huon Hooke (The Real Review) 95 points - Steven Creber (Halliday Australian Wine Companion) 95 points - Australian Wine Showcase Magazine

"The focus is on the fruit, which needs no winemaker flourish other than 100% new oak. Blackcurrant rides high on the bouquet, oak on its postilion. Tannins make their presence felt on the palate, which will stand the wine in good stead as it ages."

# **Reserve Wines**



#### 2016 Reserve Chardonnay

95 points - Australian Wine Showcase Magazine

94 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)

"A blend of grapes from McLaren Vale and Coonawarra, this magnificently styled chardonnay shows nectarine, rockmelon, vanilla and cedar characters on the nose with lemon peel and brioche nuances. The palate is concentrated and wonderfully weighted with excellent depth and intensity, backed by creamy texture and bright acidity. **5 stars**."

## 2013 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

95 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)

94 points - Australian Wine Showcase Magazine

"Made from grapes grown in Coonawarra and McLaren Vale, this splendid rendition shows cassis, spiced plum, vanilla, smoked game and cedar characters on the nose, leading to a concentrated palate that displays outstanding weight and depth. The wine delivers classic varietal intensity backed by flowing mouthfeel and fine texture, finishing impressively long and engaging. Wonderfully harmonious and gratifying. **5 stars**."

# 2013 Reserve Shiraz

**95 points -** Sam Kim (Wine Orbit) **94 points -** Huon Hooke (The Real Review)

"This is gloriously opulent and magnificently developing; the instantly appealing bouquet shows dark fruit richness combined with seductive notes of cocoa, cake spice and cedar, leading to a concentrated palate that is plush and impressively weighted. It is powerful and intense, wonderfully enhanced by velvety mouthfeel and seamlessly integrated silky tannins. Multi-layered and totally delicious. **5 stars**."

# **Premium Red Selection**



#### 2014 Bush Vine Shiraz Grenache Mourvèdre

95 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)

"A gorgeous wine showing gloriously attractive aromas of dark fruit, cedar, smoked game, dark chocolate and mushroom on the nose, leading to a concentrated palate that is plump and fleshy. The wine offers terrific fruit power and generosity, brilliantly structured by fine, chalky tannins, finishing impressively long and seductive. **5 stars**"

### 2013 G & W Cabernet Sauvignon

95 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)

95 points - Australian Wine Showcase Magazine

"The wine offers glorious aromas of cassis, dark berry, cigar box, espresso, black olive and floral on the nose. It is concentrated and intensely flavoured on the palate, displaying excellent depth and complexity, backed by fine texture and chalky tannins, which provide a sturdy structure and magnificent length. Beautifully maturing and hugely enjoyable. **5 stars**"

### 2015 Jacko's Shiraz

#### 94 points - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)

"It is gorgeously fruited and aromatic on the nose showing blackberry, dark plum, vanilla and cedary oak characters with nuances of toasted spices. The palate delivers lovely concentration and weight, together with supple mouthfeel and fleshy texture. It is up front and flavoursome, loaded with delicious flavours. **5 stars**"

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#### 2020 'by Merrill' Dancing Queen Riesling

GOLD MEDAL 2020 Royal Adelaide Wine Show - 96 points Mike Bennie (The Winefront) - 92 points

#### 2019 'by Merrill' Georgie May Chardonnay

Sam Kim (Wine Orbit) - **90 points** Australian Wine Showcase Magazine - **90 points** 

#### 2020 'by Merrill' Charley Rose Dry Rosé

GOLD MEDAL 2020 Royal Adelaide Wine Show - 96 points Sam Kim (Wine Orbit) - 92 points

### 2018 'by Merrill' Grumpy Gramps Grenache

Australian Wine Showcase Magazine - 93 points

Sam Kim (Wine Orbit) - 92 points

### 2017 'by Merrill' Saint Nic Shiraz Cabernet

Australian Wine Showcase Magazine - 94 points

Sam Kim (Wine Orbit) - 92 points