



CHAPEL HILL



open fermented with gentle plunging  
basket pressed | minimal additions | clarified naturally

# THE VINEDRESSER SHIRAZ 2019

## 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

The 2018/19 growing season was one of extremes. The vines had to endure some challenging conditions during budburst and flowering as well as warmer weather following veraison. Fortunately, February and March provided perfect ripening weather allowing the vines to comfortably cruise through to harvest. Whilst yields were slightly lower, the concentration and vibrant flavour in the resulting fruit was definitely a highlight.

Viticulturist: Rachel Steer

## The Wine

The words “I am a true vine” feature within the ornate design of our iconic stained glass window. This scripture follows with “my father is a vinedresser”, which inspires this tribute to the wonderful grape growers of McLaren Vale.

Decadent and delectable flavours swirl generously over the wonderfully structured plate.

## Wine Specifications

Variety:	100% Shiraz
Appellation:	100% McLaren Vale
Harvest date:	20 <sup>th</sup> February to 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2019
Oak ageing:	100% French Oak 16 months
pH:	3.76
Acidity:	5.8 g/L
Alcohol:	14.5 % v/v
Residual sugar:	1.8 g/L
Bottling date:	19 <sup>th</sup> October 2020
Release date:	December 2020
Closure:	Screw cap
Winemakers:	Michael Fragos & Bryn Richards
Viticulturist:	Rachel Steer

*To preserve the varietal and site characters, this wine was clarified naturally without the use of any fining agents or filtration.*

*Suitable for vegans.*

## Reviews

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