

HUGO WINES

We are a family business with a long history, recently taken over by the fifth generation. Our single estate vineyard in McLaren Vale is uniquely high and cool. The old vines and more recent plantings all produce exceptional fruit that's healthy and balanced – the wines are fresh and bright, but with complexity and depth; layered, just like the site on which they grow. Our vines are our family and our wines have been recognised for more than 40 years.

HUGO Grenache 2021

Hand picked from low yielding bush vines, this wine is a medium bodied style Grenache showcasing the elegant fruit these old vines produce. Partial whole bunch ferment and maturity in larger seasoned French oak puncheon barrels further adds perfume & layers of complexity while still giving the wine structure and texture.

Tasting Note Lots of fresh and juicy red berry fruit flavours including cherries and raspberries, plus Turkish delight and delicate spice. The tannins are fine and silky and the wine finishes with vibrancy.

Vintage The 2021 growing season started with a wet winter and spring followed by a mild and dry summer. With no heat spikes and lower temperatures throughout summer, ripening was slow and gradual allowing the fruit to develop intensity of flavour. A truly special vintage in McLaren Vale.

Vineyard Estate grown bush vine Grenache with a vine age of 70 years. Cropping is a mere 1.5 tonnes per acre. One small parcel was also sourced from another old bush vine vineyard on the sands of nearby Blewitt Springs planted in the 1940's.

Winemaking All fruit was hand picked and fermented with 15% whole bunches in small open top fermenters for 12 days. The wine then spent time in old French oak puncheons for ten months prior to bottling in early 2022.

Serve Rolled turkey breast with rosemary and cranberry stuffing.

Variety

Grenache 100%

Region

McLaren Vale

Year Planted

1951, 1940s

Elevation

180-200 metres above sea level.

Soils

Rich loam onto clay with river bedrock.
+ Blewitt springs vineyards sand onto clay

Cellaring

10+ years

Alcohol

14%

