

2021 HATCHLING SHIRAZ

Marananga, Barossa Valley South Australia

VINTAGE

The 2021 growing season followed two very dry seasons. A solid autumn break in April and May offered reprieve to vines moving into dormancy and began filling soil profiles. Winter though was 20% below average in rainfall, while an average spring rainfall and favourable flowering and fruit set conditions were welcomed by growers, resulting in an average yield. Summer leading into harvest was cool and dry, with relatively low disease pressure. The Indian summer stretched out harvest to allow fruit to ripen evenly without a need to harvest quickly, enabling vines to mature fruit stress free, resulting in vibrant, richly flavoured fruit and high-quality wines.

VINEYARD

The Hatchling Shiraz is an assemblage of fruit, with the backbone sourced from our Schubert Estate Block 2, Shiraz clone BVRC30, and selected growers, with a shared vision and style of fruit from within the Schubert Estate vineyard in the sub-region of Marananga, Barossa Valley.

WINEMAKING

Harvested at optimum ripeness, destemmed and fermented in 5 tonne open top fermenters with twice daily pump-overs to achieve maximum extraction of colour, flavour and tannin. At the completion of fermentation, the wine is drained and skins basket pressed with free-run and pressings combined. Transferred and matured to a combination of second/third use and seasoned French oak barriques.

TASTING NOTES

Colour: Deep crimson

Aroma: Ripe black fruits, plums and blueberry dominate with hints of blackforest cake, clove, black pepper, cinnamon, roasting meats, violets, dark chocolate and liquorice.

Palate: Super plush and opulent, rich and ripe black berried fruits, cedary tones flow in, ferrous-edged and long of finish with tight, finegrained tannins and a long draw.

ACCOLADES

94 points - Dave Brookes, Halliday Wine Companion 2025 GOLD - Mundus Vini Summer Tasting 2024 GOLD Sakura Japan Women's Wine Awards 2025 SILVER - London Wine Show 2024 SILVER - ANZ Boutique Wine Awards 2024 SILVER - Marananga Wine Show 2024



TECHNICAL NOTES

Varietal: 100% Shiraz

Region: Maranaga, Barossa Valley

Alc: 14.5%

Ph: 3.55

T/A: 6.1 g/L

Residual Sugar: 0.71 g/L

Winemaker: Matt Reynolds

Enjoy with: Slow cooked lamb shoul-

der with all the trimmings.