

2021 McLaren Vale Estate Blend GSM

**Vintage**

2021

Region

McLaren Vale

Grape Varieties

Grenache 65%

Shiraz 30%

Mourvèdre 5%

Alcohol

14.5% alc/vol

Vineyards

The 2021 Estate Blend is produced from grapes grown on the Lloyd Brothers McLaren Vale Estate. A blend of Grenache (65%) hand-picked from the bush vines located a few steps from the winery, Shiraz (30%) from Block 9 and Manor Block with a small percentage of estate bush vine Mourvèdre (5%).

Geology of the Lloyd Brothers McLaren Vale Estate Vineyard

Located on the Blanche Point Formation in the Eocene group which is 56 to 34 million years in age. Glauconitic, fossiliferous calcareous siltstone with Tortachilla Limestone at base.

Winemaking

Each variety was picked at modest baumes and fermented separately in small open fermenters prior to being basket pressed to seasoned French oak barrels. After 9 months in oak, the best barrels were selected and blended to create the Estate Blend GSM. Vegan Friendly.

Oak Maturation

9 months in seasoned French oak barriques and hogsheads.

Tasting Note

The Grenache adds a beautiful juicy plum character and spice to help create a delicious medium bodied wine. The Shiraz from Block 9 and the Manor block have lovely lifted violets and red/blue fruits on nose which follow through to the palate with some dried herbs, cloves and white pepper complementing the fruit. A small percentage of estate bush vine Mourvèdre (5%) adds some spice and lift to the blend. Aged in seasoned French oak for 9 months it is a modern version of a classic blend.

Cellaring Potential

Drinking beautifully now and will do so over the next 8+ years.