



## 2021 WILLUNGA 1920 SHIRAZ

This 2-acre vineyard was planted in 1920 in the foothills of Willunga. The soils are deep, gravelly loams and this block shows beautiful old vine complexity with a suppleness of the rich Willunga soils.

### Tasting notes

The Willunga 1920 Shiraz is a very different wine to those produced from the Coriole estate. The nose shows blackberry, fresh cherry and tobacco with hints of bay leaf and lavender. The palate is very soft and rich, with flavours of mulberry, raspberry and new leather, beautifully framed by very fine tannin and finished by a floral rose lift.

### Serving suggestion

A great accompaniment to slow roasted lamb shoulder, or a Sichuan spiced kangaroo tail.

### Winemaker says

This beautiful old vineyard, although low yielding, always creates real excitement when the fruit comes in. The 2021, the 101st growing season from these vines, shows the undeniable class of the vineyard, highlighting the diversity and styles McLaren Vale vineyards can create. This vineyard is one of our most prized possessions.

### Technical notes

Region (GI): 100% McLaren Vale

Varietal comp: 100% Shiraz

Alcohol: 14.5%

Total acidity: 6.4 g/L

pH: 3.59

GF: 0.5 g/L

### 2021 vintage

2021 will be sure to be remembered as one of the great vintages in McLaren Vale. The vintage started off well with slightly above average rainfall through the winter and spring of 2020. Once the growing season commenced, we had healthy vines, and mild conditions through spring and summer. Vintage kicked off in mid-February and a well-spaced vintage saw the last fruit picked in mid-April. We had average yields across most white varieties with the resulting wines showing great clarity of aromatics. In shiraz, fantastic fruit condition and even ripening made life easy in the winery where we could watch each block express its identity - bright fruit and juicy flavours, with ripe, full tannin structures and impressive length of flavour.

