

# 2023 ESTATE SHIRAZ

Shiraz has been Coriole's principal variety and flagship wine since the first bottling in 1970. Coriole Shiraz is 100% Estate grown and the average vine age is 50 years old.

## **Tasting notes**

The 2023 Estate Shiraz showcases the complexity and depth of Coriole's 50-year-old vineyards. The nose shows a delicate blend of blackberry, violet, black tea and dried sage matched with a ferrous earthy richness that evokes the estate's clay and limestone soils. Flavours of pepper, cherry ripe and blackberry compliment concentrated dark fruit, plum and cacao. Full bodied, rich and graceful with lush tannins and impeccable balance, this is a great example of the depth and elegance that a cooler growing season can bring to wines from McLaren Vale.

## **Serving suggestion**

A classic dish for a classic wine - try with lamb shanks, cooked long and slow with chick peas and vegetables.

#### Winemaker says

This wine is made in the traditional manner; fermented in open tanks and hand plunged, and matured in French oak hogsheads. The Estate Shiraz has impressive fruit intensity, yet is elegant and will reward further cellaring.

#### **Technical notes**

Region (GI): 100% McLaren Vale Varietal comp: 100% Shiraz Alcohol: 14.4% Total acidity: 6.2 g/L pH: 3.61

GF: 0.5 g/L

## 2023 vintage

The 2023 vintage will be remembered for the La Niña conditions, particularly the wet and cool conditions which dominated spring 2022. We had a late start to 2023 with the first reds picked in March. Naturally moderate yields and careful management mitigated any disease pressure resulting in clean, healthy fruit at harvest. Yields were looking low across most varieties with fiano, sangiovese and shiraz all coming in lower than average. Across the board, the 2023 red wines feature bright fruit characters with good length and ripeness of tannin.

