



Around a century ago, “Windjammers” were the rhinos of the sailing fleets. With hulls of steel, multiple masts and big square sails, they had presence standing still, but when needed, they could charge through the roughest weather at up to 16 knots on average. We reckon this Shiraz is a lot like the Windjammer, big and bold for the moment but with the voyage of a few more years, it will be the stuff of legend.

VINTAGE 2018

The 2018 vintage in McLaren Vale is being touted as producing wine of excellent quality. While total tonnages were down for the season, the wine quality was set up by the wet growing season which led to healthy lush vines through the early part of this season.

Winter rainfall was average and soil moisture sensors recorded a wet soil at budburst. Spring rainfall totals were 30-60% below average, summer was unusually dry with as little as 10mm of rain from 1st January to when picking began at the end of February.

Fortunately, McLaren Vale growers have access to multiple water sources, including recycled water, which allows for timely irrigation. Favourable ripening during February, led to fruit in great condition at picking.

ALCOHOL	14.5%
REGION	McLaren Vale

TASTING NOTES

Sourced from deep rooted old vines and aged in French Oak for 18 months, this is a fine McLaren Vale Shiraz.

With aromas of plums, blueberries and spices and generous on the palate, it finishes with subtle pepper overtones and an impression as big as its namesake.

Enjoy it now or put it away for awhile - it will love the test of time.

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WINDJAMMER
2018 SHIRAZ

