



When the ships left Europe bound for Australia, they had many obstacles to overcome, but perhaps the strangest of all was the “monster pitch”. No wind but a huge swell, capable of swallowing even the biggest tall masters, meant that only a great captain and a dedicated crew could steer the ship to safety. Year after year, our vignerons and winemakers show the same skill, conquering the prevailing conditions to deliver an outstanding result every time.

VINTAGE 2019

The McLaren Vale wine region relied on its advantage, natural and constructed, to have a successful vintage for 2019. Reliable spring rainfall, and access to multiple irrigation sources helped vineyards cope with challenging dry and hot season.

The dry conditions posed significant challenges for local grape growers, a lack of summer rain meant that irrigation was important to make up for the shortfall. Using timely irrigation, firstly to develop a canopy large enough to sustain vineyard crops and then to maintain the health of vines until harvest was vital.

On the positive side, disease pressure was very low for this vintage.

At harvest, vineyards generally had lower yields of fruit with more intense flavour.

ALCOHOL	14.5%
REGION	McLaren Vale
	pH 3.52
	TA 6.16

TASTING NOTES

Just like the monster pitch, this Cabernet is elegant on the surface, but has powerful underlying varietal characters which may take you by surprise!

It is carefully matured in French and American oak which integrates beautifully with aromas of blackberries, eucalyptus, chocolate and mint.

The smooth full bodied palate finishes with fine tannins.

SHAW FAMILY VINTNERS MONSTER PITCH 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

