

ROBERT OATLEY

Signature Series

FOUNDER'S NOTE

In the early 1990's I released Australia's first "GSM" – certainly not the first time these three varieties had been blended but definitely the first to be marketed under the GSM acronym. I'm very proud of the success we enjoyed with that and subsequent releases and here we present our latest version, also from McLaren Vale and delivering all the smooth rounded flavours of this uniquely Australian style of red.

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ROBERT OATLEY SIGNATURE SERIES

The Robert Oatley Signature Series draws on a remarkable portfolio of vineyards nurtured by the winemaking talent of Larry Cherubino showcasing Australia's most successful wine styles and regions. Bob Oatley's mantra is that all wines should be a "darned good drink", and the high quality Signature Series delivers immediate appeal, with satisfying flavours over an elegant frame. Each wine embodies the grape varietal and region in which it was grown.

MCLAREN VALE GRENACHE SHIRAZ MOURVÈDRE 2013

REGION NOTES: MCLAREN VALE SOUTH AUSTRALIA

All three of these grape varieties share a long history in McLaren Vale – Australia's most successful region with this triple blend emulating the wines of Cotes du Rhone. The warm, maritime-influenced climate and red-brown loamy soils produce rich dark fruit characters and supple tannins in their exemplary red wines.

WINEMAKING NOTES

A blend of 60% Grenache, 30% Shiraz and 10% Mourvedre (Mataro) from southern McLaren Vale, where the hills run down to the ocean. Fermented on skins in a combination of open and closed fermenters and matured in French oak for 10 months. Enjoy now to 2018-2020.

TASTING NOTE

Macerated red fruits and musk from Grenache, structure and longevity via Shiraz, Mouvèdre's gamey notes and minerality.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alc/vol: 14.0%
VA: 0.36
pH: 3.62
RS: 0.92 g/L
TA: 6.27 g/L
CLOSURE: Stelvin Lux+



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