



# ROBERT OATLEY

MARGARET RIVER | MCLAREN VALE



## FOUNDER'S NOTE

*With over forty years of winemaking experience I've learnt there are two important elements when it comes to creating great wine. Firstly, the best wines show a true sense of the land – that ideal combination of grape variety and region. Secondly, they taste even better when shared with friends. I hope you enjoy drinking these wines as much as we enjoyed making them.*

**ROBERT OATLEY, AO BEM (1928-2016)** *Bob Oatley*

## 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 was 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 SHIRAZ 2022

### REGION NOTES: MCLAREN VALE SOUTH AUSTRALIA

We've been a fan of McLaren Vale Shiraz for many years now, yet have been keen to progress the traditional style, to wines with brighter fruit, less obvious alcohol and minimal reliance on oak. We've made a very accessible, well-loved style that has proven a hit with fans of the variety.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

This is a blend of selected parcels of Shiraz from the Blewitt Springs, Willunga, and McLaren Flats districts of the Vale. The 2022 McLaren Vale vintage was excellent, delivering grapes of great colour and fruit intensity. The summer was cool, providing gentle ripening conditions. The harvest period was mild giving a longer ripening period and later than usual start to harvest. Fermented on skins in a combination of open and closed fermenters and matured in French oak for 12 months. Enjoy now to 2033.

### WINEMAKERS

Larry Cherubino and Debbie Lauritz

### TASTING NOTE

Soft, fleshy-textured Shiraz displaying blueberries and spice, supple tannins and stylish French oak influence.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Alc/vol: 14.0% | pH: 3.6 | TA 6.26 | RS: 5.7 g/L | CLOSURE: Stelvin Lux+

### MAJOR ACCOLADES FOR RECENT VINTAGES

TROPHY Best 2 Year Old Shiraz & GOLD McLaren Vale Wine Show 2023;  
92pts FOUR STARS TOP VALUE Stuart Knox The Real Review (v2021)  
GOLD McLaren Vale Wine Show 2022 & Rutherglen Wine Show 2022;  
Five SILVER medals; 92pts FOUR STARS TOP VALUE Huon Hooke The Real Review; Selector Magazine 50 Best Wines 2022; 92pts Ken Gargett, Tony Love & Ray Jordan; 91pts James Suckling & Halliday Wine Companion (v2020)  
GOLD Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2022 & Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2021;  
SILVER Sydney Royal Wine Show 2021; 93pts Ken Gargett; 91pts Ray Jordan; 90pts Halliday Wine Companion (v2019)