



### **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)

#### **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 GRENACHE 'G-18' 2018

## **REGION NOTES: MCLAREN VALE SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

McLaren Vale is Australia's foremost region for Grenache, where it was historically largely used for fortified wines and as a workhorse blending variety, frequently with Shiraz and Mourvedre/Mataro. Full-bodied examples rival Australia's greatest Shiraz wines and this particular style, which highlights the variety's inherent deep red fruit characters, is fast gaining in popularity.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

Grapes from the southern end of McLaren Vale were fermented on skins in a combination of open and closed fermenters then matured for a short period in tank prior to bottling. This is an unwooded red wine, similar in weight and body to a young Pinot Noir, Tempranillo or Sangiovese. It should be enjoyed at least lightly chilled, which will allow its lifted aromatics and bright, breezy personality to shine.

## **TASTING NOTE**

Vibrant, perfumed Grenache with classic raspberry, musk and earthy notes. Serve lightly chilled.

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Alc/vol: 13.5%
pH: 3.53
RS: 1.50 g/L
TA: 5.85 g/L
CLOSURE: Stelvin Lux+

## MAJOR ACCOLADES FOR RECENT VINTAGES

91pts Huon Hooke The Real Review (v2017)



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