



ROBERT OATLEY

WINEMAKER'S RESERVE

Our Winemaker's Reserve range allows the Robert Oatley winemaking team to select the parcels of grapes that best exemplify the grape varieties and region that we believe represent great Australian wine styles. Enjoy them now or after a few years in your cellar.

MCLAREN VALE GSM 2018

GSM – HISTORY & EVOLUTION

GSM is an acronym for red blends of Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvedre (or Mataro) that emulate France's Cotes du Rhone wines. The blend was pioneered in Australia by the Oatley family and has enjoyed growing popularity due to its appealing medium-bodied weight and generosity of flavour. The varieties must be listed in proportional order.

MCLAREN VALE – REGION NOTES

Located just south of South Australia's capital city of Adelaide and right on the Gulf of St Vincent coast, McLaren Vale is one of Australia's oldest and most picturesque wine regions with a rich winemaking history. The Oatley family have been producing outstanding wines from the region for over forty years. Its climate particularly suits the Rhone Valley varieties of shiraz and Grenache, producing a variety of styles.

Altitude: 0-420 metres

Soil Types: Wide range of soils but red/brown loamy sand is the most common

Mean (Jan) Temperature: 21.3 deg. C

Growing Season Rainfall: 226mm

GSM 2018 – WINEMAKING NOTES

Primarily from the southern vales, the individual wines were fermented on skins in a combination of open and closed fermenters, then matured in French oak for up to six months. The final blend varies from year to year, the 2018 comprises 44% Grenache, 42% Shiraz and 14% Mourvedre. It will be most enjoyable now to 2027.

TASTING NOTE

A well-structured, delightfully balanced blend from McLaren Vale, displaying abundant blue/black fruit characters along with fragrance of musk and spice.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alc/vol: 14.0% | pH: 3.64 | RS: 2.20 g/L

TA: 5.77 g/L | CLOSURE: Stelvin Lux+

