



ROBERT OATLEY

*The Pennant*

HAND SELECTED LIMITED RELEASE

*Competitive success is rewarded in a myriad of ways. For wine it may be a gold medal, in sport, a pennant. Both indicate excellence.*

*Striving for excellence in wine growing strikes a balance between the natural attributes of the land and uncomplicated winemaking.*

*Sometimes the greatest effort is required to strive for simplicity, with detailed attention in the vineyard, an uncompromising approach to fruit selection, uncomplicated winemaking and naturally, the benefits of a great season.*

*The greatest prize is when this is reflected in the glass.*

*Robert Oatley AO BEM (1928-2016)*

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## *2018 McLaren Vale Shiraz*

### WINEMAKER LARRY CHERUBINO'S NOTES

Specially selected parcels of low-yielding forty to eighty year-old vine fruit were identified for this very special inaugural release McLaren Vale Shiraz. Fermented on skins for fourteen to twenty-one days and aged for twelve months in high quality French oak (20% new) prior to rigorous barrel selection to compile the final blend.

**Opulent. Generous. Blueberry and spice. Textured and long.**

### STATISTICS:

Vineyard Location: A selection of sites, with a significant component from La Colline in the heart of the Vale

Clone: 1654 - Unknown

Alc/vol: 14%

TA: 6.0

pH: 3.70

Cellar: 10 to 15 years



5 STAR WINERY

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