

Geoff Merrill

Henley

1999 SHIRAZ

Henley is a strict barrel selection of our best of vintage McLaren Vale Shiraz and is named in honour of Geoff's Grandfather, who passed away at the ripe old age of 102. This wine is the best of the best of our McLaren Vale Shiraz and only 10 barrel of the Vintage are set aside for Henley.

WINEMAKERS NOTES

The colour is brick red with good depth and clarity. The aroma is very complex with spice and herb notes, red berry fruits and well integrated French oak. The palate is tightly structured and well balanced with red berries and layered tannins beginning to soften and adding complexity.

VINTAGE INFORMATION

The 1999 vintage was characterised by a very hot January and February, which cooled down considerably as harvest approached making way for heavy rain. Complex structure will benefit from medium to long term cellaring. Only 250 dozen made.

WINEMAKERS

Geoff Merrill & Scott Heidrich

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Variety 100% Shiraz

Growing Region 100% McLaren Vale

Harvest Date April 1999

Oak Handling 34 months in French Radoux Allier hogsheads

14.0% alc, T/A 7.0 g/l, pH 3.4, R/S 2.0g/l

