

GOLD LABEL

REGIONAL RESERVE McLAREN VALE | LANGHORNE CREEK SHIRAZ 2021

FRAGRANT AROMAS OF BLACKBERRY, BLUEBERRY AND DARK PLUM, WITH A TOUCH OF ANISE AND DARK CHOCOLATE. THE PALATE IS PLUSH, RICHLY TEXTURED AND FULL-BODIED, YET ELEGANT, WITH BRIGHT, CONCENTRATED FRUIT, A FINE ACID STRUCTURE, SILKY TANNINS AND A MOUTH-WATERING FINISH.

To create the Wolf Blass Gold Label collection, our winemakers select the definitive varieties of the very best South Australian wine regions to produce a range of progressive, elegant wines showcasing regional and varietal excellence.

Crafted from premium vineyards in McLaren Vale and Langhorne Creek, selected for regionally expressive fruit with intense varietal character. Vineyard batches were crushed and destemmed separately, then fermented in small open fermenters for 7 to 10 days, with a mix of plunging and gentle pumping over used to optimise extraction of flavour, colour and tannin.

WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION	McLaren Vale & Langhorne Creek
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Early winter rainfall was light but regular, enough to provide useful mulch to help retain moisture through the dry late-winter, spring and early summer. Good flowering and fruit-set led to even berry development. Summer was relatively cool, but with two heat spikes that impacted yields. Mostly cooler conditions helped retain excellent natural acidity, varietal expression and very good colour.
GRAPE VARIETY	Shiraz
MATURATION	<i>12 months' maturation in 80% seasoned and 20% new French and American oak has enhanced structure and complexity.</i>
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 14.5% Acidity: 6.7 g/L pH: 3.61
PEAK DRINKING	Enjoyable on release, or will develop complex, integrated flavours with careful medium-term cellaring.
FOOD MATCH	Great with sticky glazed beef ribs, or Moroccan lamb tagine.



WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR Deep purple with crimson hues.

NOSE	Fragrant aromas of blackberries, blueberries and fleshy dark red plums, with a touch of anise spice and dark chocolate.
PALATE	Plush, richly textured and full- bodied, yet elegant, with bright, concentrated fruit, a fine acid structure, silky tannins and a long, even mouth-watering finish.

Winemaker: Alex MacKenzie