



Herbert 'HJ' Oliver  
McLaren Vale.

HJ

2015 HJ SHIRAZ

HISTORY

This is the fourteenth release of an Oliver's Taranga Reserve Shiraz, and it is celebrating with a bit of a label spruce up! The new look hasn't changed the fact that the HJ is picked from the very best parcels of old vine Shiraz on the Taranga vineyard – it has been barrel selected and bottle aged for optimum enjoyment.

VINTAGE

Over the 174 years plus that we have been growing grapes on the Taranga property, we haven't seen an earlier finish to vintage. Well, not in living memory anyway! Usually we will harvest in February & March- but in 2015, we finished on the last day of February. Unheard of!! We had very low crops and a warm year, which sped up ripening. 'Old Block' handpicked 25th of February 2015, 'South Block' handpicked 23rd of February 2015.

AROMA

Cherry, blackberry compote, rum n' raisin chocolate, sweet vanilla, spices and mocha.

PALATE

Bright blue and black fruited, savoury spice, mocha through the palate. Dense and flavoursome, the tannins are silky and integrated, with sage and black currant characters, framing this gorgeous expression of McLaren Vale Shiraz.

OAK TREATMENT

30% new French Oak, 20 months in barrel

REGION

Taranga vineyard, McLaren Vale. Sourced from the 'Old Block', planted by HJ Oliver in 1948.

WINEMAKER

Corrina

Corrina Wright, 6th Generation

GRAPE VARIETY

100% SHIRAZ

COLOUR

Deep maroon

ALCOHOL

14.5%

CELLARING

Drink now to 2030



WHAT THE WRITERS HAVE TO SAY [ 2014 VINTAGE ]

Dense. Luscious. Generous. Food for the soul.

Long and smooth, this delicious Shiraz has rounded edges and oozes voluptuous appeal. Melted dark chocolate slides down with absolute ease. A good whiff of caramel oak plays a neat supporting role. Dark berries and dark plum fruit cruise on as though on parade. Super soft spices roll through effortlessly. I could sit on a glass for a while. Decadent. Big love.

Qwinereviews 94/100

Will age 10 years+

HERBERT 'HJ' OLIVER

GENERATION

4th

BORN

1922