



Herbert 'HJ' Oliver
McLaren Vale.

HJ

2018 HJ RESERVE SHIRAZ

HISTORY

This is the 17th release of our Langtons Classified HJ Shiraz. 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. Named after our grandfather Herbert John 'HJ' Oliver, we know he would be very proud of his namesake wine.

VINTAGE

2018 is one of the vintages of the decade. Perfect ripening, good solid crops, strong winter rain and lack of heat waves made it pretty near perfect!

AROMA

Violets, blackberry pie, mocha, spice and mineral notes.

PALATE

Savoury spice, mocha and plummy sweetness through the palate. Layers of flavour, the tannins are fine, silky and integrated perfectly. A wine with plenty of length and mouth-filling generosity.

OAK TREATMENT

35% new French oak hogsheads 18 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

Hand picked from the Old Block (planted '48), gently crushed before an ambient ferment with no acid, tannin or sulfur additions, racked to French hogsheads (35% new). Sulfured after mlf. Unfined. A deep crimson. Violet, blueberry, black cherry, anise, boysenberry and nori scents curl their way around a pillar of toasty mocha oak. While apparent, it is far from obtuse, operating as a welcome signpost to the wine's warmth, richness and cavalcade of flavours. Long and generous, without being loud.

95 points Ned Goodwin for Halliday Wine Companion

HERBERT 'HJ' OLIVER

GENERATION

4th

BORN

1922