# **HARDYS**

TINTARA

McLAREN VALE
MARGARET RIVER

**CABERNET SAUVIGNON** 

2019

In 1876, a young Thomas Hardy recognised the potential that lay within the unique soils of McLaren Vale and made it his mission to create wines that were a true expression of this remarkable region. Founded in 1861, Tintara, the home of Hardys, remains a testament to quality winemaking, combining age old methods and new technology.

## **Vintage**

Vintage 2019 had winter rainfalls were slightly below average for McLaren Vale while spring and summer continued to be dry. Heat spikes in January preceded a warm and dry harvest period however temperatures rarely exceed the low 30's.

Diligent vineyard management and strong vine architecture allowed fruit to achieve desirable sugar and flavour levels with very low disease pressure.

Picking at optimum maturity has resulted in a wine which displays vibrant bright colours with a ripe flavour profile, rounded flavoursome palate and soft fine tannins.

#### Winemaker's Notes

An elegant and balanced wine shows impressive Cabernet varietal character with great complexity, texture and length.

# **Tasting Notes**

### **Appearance**

Dense deep garnet with red and purple hues.

Bouquet: Intense dark bramble fruits, mulberry, liquorice, musk and milk chocolate with a subtle overlay of dried tobacco leaf, cinnamon and coffee bean.

#### Palate

2019 vintage is an elegant wine showing bright primary red fruits of plum, raspberry and mulberry with bay leaf, fennel, green peppercorn and mocha tones. It is a supple and elegant palate with complexity, fine tannin balance and a soft and persistent finish.

Winemaker Alcohol
Nic Bowen 13.9%

Region Acidity
McLaren Vale/ Margaret River 5.98q/litre

**Grape Variety** pH
Cabernet Sauvignon 3.54

