HARDYS

TINTARA
MCLAREN VALE
SHIRAZ
2020

In 1876, a young Thomas Hardy recognized 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.

Winemaker's Notes

Sourced from a variety of McLaren Vale vineyards. The 2019 Tintara Shiraz is bursting with bright and fresh dark berry fruit flavours, has great depth of flavour and balance and finishes long with soft and silky tannins.

Vintage

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.

Tasting Notes

Appearance:

Garnet red with bright crimson hues

Bouquet:

Intense red berries, mulberry, plum with delicate all spice notes, along with cardamom and milk chocolate.

Palate:

This wine has layers of vibrant red berries, blueberry and dark cherry. Below the fruit layer this wine shows notes of milk chocolate, liquorice and spice. The tannins are supple with oak structure and texture giving the wine a smooth, lingering finish.

Best paired with melanzane parmigiana.

Winemaker Cellaring Alcohol 14.2% Matt Caldersmith 5-10 years Region Maturation Acidity McLaren Vale French and American oak 6.38 g/litre **Grape Variety** pН Shiraz 3.58

