



# NUGAN

ESTATE



## McLAREN PARISH VINEYARD SHIRAZ 2018 *McLaren Vale, Australia*

### *Technical Notes*

The Nugan Estate Single Vineyard Collection is a label dedicated to showcasing the best signature varietals from Australia's finest wine growing regions. It's otherwise known as the "Regional Hero" concept. The winemaking team at Nugan Estate work hard to craft each wine so it reflects its unique varietal and regional characteristics. Perched in the foothills of the Mount Lofty Ranges, above the township of Kangarilla, McLaren Parish Vineyard with its sandy duplex soils and sclerophyll woodland surroundings, produces deeply colored fruit with thick skins. The site's higher altitude and cooler conditions, enable a longer ripening period, resulting in wines of persistence, elegance, and poise. While McLaren Vale is already well known for making some of the world's best Shiraz, there are pockets within it that are extra special. This is truly a remarkable site, as is evidenced in this wine.

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### *About this Wine*

This is a single vineyard wine - mechanically harvested in the cool of the night and delivered to Nugan Estate winery for destemming and cold maceration for 48 hours at 50°F. Whole berry primary fermentation took place in a combination of open, small, static and rotary fermenters at 75°F, with a specialized yeast strain selected to produce distinctly varietal wines, with no interference over the natural varietal character of the grapes. The wine remained on skins for a further 7 days enabling tannin polymerization and color extraction, prior to being pressed to a combination of new and seasoned French and American oak barrels, for 14 months of maturation. Following this, all parcels were tasted and graded ahead of blending, filtration and bottling in the new year.

### *Wine Analysis*

Alcohol: 14.5%  
Acidity: 6.4g/l  
pH: 3.54  
Residual sugar: 2 g/l

- ✓ VEGAN FRIENDLY
- ✓ SUSTAINABLE
- ✗ ORGANIC
- ✗ BIODYNAMIC

### *Viticulture*

Soil types: Brown alluvial sandy loam mixed with small alluvial gravel and stone over silty clay.  
Aspect of vineyard: Hill side, 4% slope, facing north / east.  
Soil Nutrition: Moderate natural fertility, slightly acidic, low salinity and good levels of Boron.  
Climate: The climate is truly "Mediterranean", with winter dominant rain, but some rain most months. Temperatures are warm to hot in the summer and early fall.  
Clone planted: 1654 planted in 1999.  
Rootstock: Own roots.  
Trellis system: Single cordon wire and single foliage wire, manual manipulation mid-season.  
Planting distance: 3.0m x 1.8m.  
Irrigation: Drip irrigation.  
Harvest dates: Typically, late-March.

### *Scores/Reviews*

PLATINUM MEDAL - 97 points (2020 Decanter World Wine Awards). Over 28 consecutive days in August, 116 of the world's top wine experts, including 37 Masters of Wine and nine Master Sommeliers, blind tasted 16,518 wines. This was one of the best wines tasted.

### *Tasting Note*

This wine is Impenetrable, inky red in appearance, with a youthful crimson hue. Brooding aromas of blue and black fruits, over layers of allspice, cardamom, espresso and earth. A rich, full flavored palate of blackberry and bramble fruit melded with earth, dark chocolate and roasted coffee bean.

