



Carnival Of Love Shiraz

Marquis Fruit Weight

Required: 85% - 95%
Actual: 87%

Marquis Fruit Weight™ is the percentage of your palate (from the tip of your tongue going all the way back) that's covered by the velvety sensation of fruit, before you experience any of the structural components of the wine

Vineyards:

Gateway, McLaren Vale

Sustainably Grown
Picked 14th March – 18th March

Barrel fermented and matured:
100% American oak
100% new

Alc/Vol: 15.5%
Residual sugar: 0.7
pH: 3.60

RRP: \$90
Vegan Friendly

What is Carnival of Love?

This is as life should be - a Carnival of Love. A place where everyone wants to be and no one wants to leave.

Vintage Report

This was a challenging year in many ways, driving us to think differently across a range of practices and decision making. With lower yields than previous vintages and thanks to our Marquis Watering Program™, we achieved outstanding fruit quality with exceptional flavour concentrations across the entire range.

McLaren Vale had dry weather conditions throughout spring/summer 19/20 and low rainfall. Our Langhorne Creek vineyards (60km west of McLaren Vale) on the other hand encountered significant frost early in spring along with hot and windy weather during flowering. These conditions reduced overall yields for both regions.

During summer, many of our friends and colleagues in the Adelaide Hills and Kangaroo Island wine regions were hugely impacted by devastating bushfires. Fortunately for us, we were not impacted at all. It was heart-warming to see so many wineries and businesses rally together to support them through this difficult time.

A favourable ripening period for harvest was our silver lining to low yields, resulting in high quality, full-bodied and vibrant wines that reflect the characteristics of our 2020 vintage.

Interestingly, McLaren Vale had a larger crush than the Barossa Valley and Langhorne Creek regions for the first time since 2004.

Winemaker Tasting Notes

Intense in colour, flavour and aroma, our 2020 Carnival of Love Shiraz captivates the palate from the first sip. Powerful yet delicate, lifted aromas of red cherry, blackberry and turkish delight evolve, while subtle hints of mocha linger. Infectious chocolate cherry, fresh plum and liquorice add to the complexity, while creating a seamless structure and lingering finish.

Awards

2018	WA 90
2016	WA 91; WS 90; Winestate 4.5 stars
2015	WS 91
2014	WS 91; Winestate 4 stars
2013	WS 90