

SERAFINO

Malpas Vineyard Shiraz VINTAGE 2017



Serafino Malpas Vineyard Story

The Serafino Malpas Vineyard has a unique story. Located along the Malpas Road Ridge with a southern aspect, the soils are dark black/brown loam over lime-

Winemaker Notes

The grapes upon delivery to the winery, were destemmed in preparation for whole berry fermentation. Cultured yeast was added post a cold soak of two days. This wine was made in open fermenters and gently pumped over twice a day during fermentation. The grapes remained on skins for ten days a time in which was determined by daily tasting. Pressed to barrels then allowed to settle for two days prior to filling barrels. Maturation in four year old French oak barrels for eight months gave minimal oak pick up, allowing the wine to express the characteristics of the vineyard and 2014 vintage.

Tasting Notes

Vintage:	2017
Region:	McLaren Vale
Grape Variety:	Shiraz (100%)
Colour:	Garnet red with purple hues
Bouquet:	Fresh crushed red berries overlaid with spice, licorice, violets and cherry tones.
Palate:	Cinnamon and spice linger on the palate with long chalky tannins, bright flavours bursting with amazing freshness and texture. This wine is well structured and well balanced and only oaked to allow clear expression of its site characteristics. Full mid palate with underlying McLaren Vale 'chocolate' fruit cake.
Vineyard:	The grapes for this wine are selected from our Malpas Road block in McLaren Vale, South Australia. Located high on the ridge along Malpas Road with a southern aspect the soils are dark black/brown and self mulching over a limestone layer. Block 2 has had careful irrigation and specific canopy management to increase and intensify the bright rich, spicy fruit from the Malpas Road district. This is a single vineyard wine with 100% of grapes from the Malpas Vineyard. The vineyard was planted in 1999. The clone of grapes used is 1654.
Oak Treatment:	Matured for six months in four year old French oak hogs head to maintain wine freshness.
Alcohol:	14%