



McGUIGAN  
WINES

# PERSONAL RESERVE

## SHIRAZ 2019

*Personal Reserve represents the pinnacle of McGuigan and are wines exclusive to the Hunter Valley Cellar Door. These wines are produced from super-premium, low cropping vineyards and produced in limited quantities depending on the availability of grapes. Only the finest materials and premium packaging are used in the making of these wine.*



### VINTAGE INFORMATION

REGION: Hunter Valle, NSW

ALCOHOL: 14.66 %

PH: 3.43

ACIDITY: 6.9 g/L

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2,4g/L

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The vines on the Vanessa Vale Vineyard are grown on a red clay more reminiscent of what is used for bricks. Clay has the ability of holding 6 water molecules to each clay molecule and in a drought year this water is slowly release to the vines meaning the vines were healthy even when in the grip of a savage drought. Wines grown on clay are generally very intense and because yields are so low the fruit is expensive to grow and restricted for use in ultra premium wines only.

### WINEMAKING

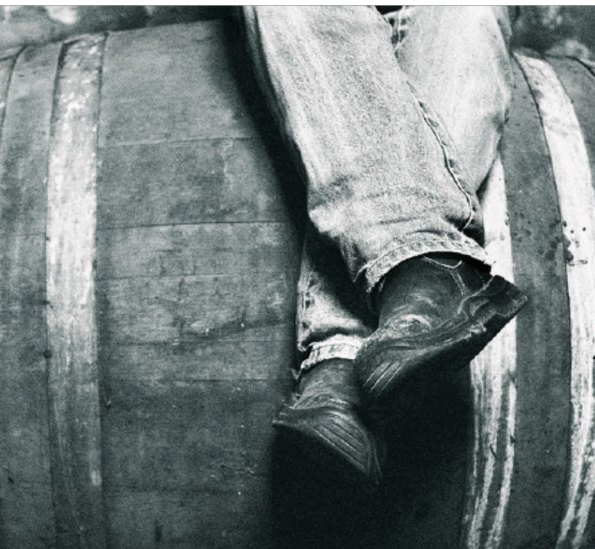
The fruit for this Shiraz was sourced from our premium Vanessa Vale vineyard. The fruit was picked in the cool of the night where they were transported to the winery and transferred to stainless steel tanks to ferment over a 10 day period using a selected yeast strain. The juice was then pressed into new French and American Oak where it was held to further develop for 12 months. This gives the resulting wine great depth of flavour and ensures great ageing potential.

### TASTING NOTES

A classic Hunter Valley Shiraz, our Personal Reserve shiraz has upfront aromas of blackcurrant and dark berries with brooding coffee and vanillin overtones. The palate is medium-bodied with soft fine tannins, showing great length. Luscious dark fruit flavours are the highlight with subtle spice as a result of the oak influence.

This wine is an ideal match with rich red meats.

Cellar 10+ years.



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