

2014 Catkin Shiraz

RRP: \$40



Haselgrove

Tasting Notes

Aroma

Deep and vibrant in the glass, the nose shows intense lift with characters of summer berries, fresh woody herbs with integrated spicy French oak.

Palate

Medium to full bodied the wine dances seamlessly across the palate. Plum and Juicy blackberry flavours are delightfully balanced by a fine structure and natural acidity. Spicy oak adds complexity and a framework of tannin leading to a long dry finish.

Vineyards

Selected from five micro-climatic regions of McLaren Vale. The first from Seaview producing rich structural wines. The second from Whites Valley producing wines with textural tannins and great flavour depth. The third from McLaren Flat is off the vineyard surrounding the winery producing elegant lifted wines with fine tannins, The fourth from Blewitt Springs produces wines with elegant red fruits and hints of menthol, the Last vineyard from Willunga produces full bodied wines with very dark fruits.

The Catkin Story

The Catkin story revolves around the Hazel Tree. The Celts believed the trees that grew around them all held special powers. The Hazel Tree is arguably the quintessential Celtic Tree due to its legendary position at the heart or entrance of the Otherworld. This wine is named after the flower of the Hazel. Catkins are the cascading bunches of Hazel flowers seen in late winter signifying the origin of harvest with exploding colour and life.



Region	McLaren Vale	Alcohol /pH / TA	15	3.55	6.61
Variety	Shiraz	Winemaking			
Harvest Dates	17 th March – 4 th April 2014	De-stemmed but not crushed into open fermenters with 3 day cold soak. Plunged 3 x day for 8 days on skins then pressed of to finish ferment in barrel (new & used FO).			
Bottling Date	September 2015	Batches kept separate until blending after 15 months maturation			
Release Date	October 2015				
Cellaring	Drink 2015 to 2024				