

Mr. Riggs

McLaren Vale



Flagship Series

2016 Mr. Riggs McLaren Vale Shiraz



Our Flagship Series is the crème de la crème. It just does not get any better than this.

History

The McLaren Vale Shiraz was the first wine Ben Riggs ever made under the Mr. Riggs moniker. First made in 2001, the McLaren Vale Shiraz offers the drinker the very best of McLaren Vale.

Vineyard

The 2016 Mr. Riggs Shiraz is a blend of two great McLaren Vale Shiraz vineyards; Piebald Gully, and Gateway Vineyard. Perhaps one of Australia's most consistent wine growing regions, McLaren Vale enjoys a Mediterranean climate driven by dominant winter rainfall, low humidity, warm summers, and the moderating influence of the nearby Gulf St Vincent.

Piebald Gully is situated in the coolest sub-region of McLaren Vale, bordering the Adelaide Hills. Planted in deep sand over clay at the base of Willunga foothills, the vineyard is late ripening and virtually dry grown, producing an elegant and refined style of Shiraz.

Gateway Vineyard, so called as it stands just at the entrance to McLaren Vale, is located in the subregion of Seaview. The vines grow on top of a rather unusual amount of limestone rock and has views of the Gulf of St Vincent and the Adelaide Hills. This vineyard produces a richer and more fruit forward style of shiraz with excellent structure.

Wine

Components of the 2016 Mr. Riggs Shiraz from both vineyards were fermented in traditional open fermenters, and following pressing, finished their fermentation in oak; approximately 80% was French and the balance American, 35% of which was new oak. Vineyard parcels were kept separate during fermentation and maturation and were blended three months prior to bottling. The wine is full flavoured with juicy dark red berries, hints of spice, earth, tar and leather, with seamlessly integrated oak. Mouthcoating tannins are apparent but not overwhelming, meaning this is a wine which can be enjoyed now or in the next 10-15 years.

Technical Details

pH:	3.53
TA:	6.55
Alc/Vol:	15.0%
Bottling date:	7th March 2018
Production:	515 cases
Winemaker:	Ben Riggs

Mr. Riggs Wine Company Pty Ltd
55a Main Road, McLaren Flat SA 5171
+61 (08) 8383 0667 / sales@mrriggs.com.au

   mrriggs.com.au