Angove Family Winemakers is a fifth generation family business dedicated to crafting super premium and single vineyard wines from McLaren Vale, together with diverse wines from some of South Australia's great wine growing regions.

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VARIETAL Shiraz

R E G I O N Clarendon, McLaren Vale

BARREL AGEING

18 months in French oak puncheons

TECHNICAL

Alcohol - 14 % pH - 3.60 Residual Sugar - <1.0g Total Acidity - 5.9g/L

CELLAR POTENTIAL 2039

WINEMAKERS Tony Ingle & Paul Kernich

CASES MADE 300

Vegan Friendly



ANGELS RISE VINEYARD

2020 SHIRAZ

CLARENDON, MCLAREN VALE

VINEYARD & VINTAGE

The Angove Family's Angels Rise Vineyard sits high above the small town of Clarendon with an elevation of over 280m above sea level. Whilst still located within the region of McLaren Vale, its climate is quite unique due to its elevation and aspect. A cool site and just a stone's throw from the Adelaide Hills mean it is an exceptional vineyard for producing distinctive Shiraz.

Wine made from the vineyard has been described by Tyson Stelzer as having '...a flamboyant personality that prevails despite the seasons, a signature special site unmatched by any other patch of dirt'.

The 2020 growing season was a very good one for quality. A wet winter in 2019 set up the soil moisture well however a cool and windy November resulted in poor fruit set, lowering yields. A generally cool January and February resulted in even ripening and although yields were low the fruit delivered to the winery was in pristine condition with great flavour and vibrant structure.

WINEMAKING

Hand-picking and sorting of the grapes was followed by chilling and cold soaking to extract maximum flavour and colour from the fruit. Fermentation is initiated by the use of indigenous winery yeast, and the wine was subjected to daily hand plunging and occasional pump overs to ensure gentle extraction of tannins and flavours. After fermentation is complete, the wine was left on skins for extended maceration for three days to enhance its depth and complexity. The wine is then basket-pressed to barrel where it is aged in new and seasoned French oak puncheons for 18 months to allow it to soften and develop. Barrel selection was conducted in July 2021 with only the best barrels selected. Bottled without fining or filtration.

TASTING NOTE

Opaque vibrant purple. Fresh ripe blackberry and cherry with pepper spice is immediate on the nose. Cherry again on the palate with spice and soft silky tannins to finish.