

# SHIRAZ

# Cooter & Cooter

**Vintage**  
2019

**Variety**  
Shiraz 97%, Grenache 3%

**Region**  
Whites Valley, McLaren Vale

**Age of Vines**  
23 years, 74 years (Grenache)

Single vineyard – estate grown

**Clones** 1127, 1654

**Harvest Date**  
14<sup>th</sup> February, 2019  
(Grenache: 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019)

**Technical Details**  
Alc: 14%, pH: 3.61 GF: 0.8g/L

**Vintage Notes**  
Grown with minimal inputs on our Whites Valley vineyard, McLaren Vale.

A dry winter and spring, coupled with record heat and dry conditions throughout summer led to an early and shorter vintage. Yields were only slightly down on the 2018 vintage despite the season's challenges associated with low rainfall. The conditions, however, provided small berries with good concentrations of flavour.

**Vinification**  
Two parcels were hand-picked in mid-late February and fermented with indigenous yeast separately in open top fermenters, with

12% whole bunch. The Shiraz spent a total of 14 days on skins. While the Grenache spent 11 days on skins, naturally beginning fermentation on day 3. Pressed together into seasoned puncheons. Matured in 100% 4-year-old French oak for 8 months. Blended just prior to bottling. No fining.

**Tasting Notes**  
A bright and refreshing expression of McLaren Vale Shiraz. Buoyant, yet juicy. Soft tannins give rise to a long, moreish finish.

**Cellaring Potential**  
Drink now – 2030

