

SHOTTESBROOKE

## Estate Series Grenache Shiraz Mataro 2017

McLaren Vale





First planted by founder, Nick Holmes, over 30 years ago, Shottesbrooke takes its name from an estate in Berkshire, England, where Nick's grandfather was vicar of the parish from 1905 to 1926. Today, Shottesbrooke is proudly an estate grown and managed boutique winery.

With premium fruit sourced from carefully selected sites around McLaren Vale and the Adelaide Hills, the Estate Series proudly displays the fusion of hands-on vineyard practices with the passion we have for making wines of character and depth, whilst remaining true to the hallmark Shottesbrooke style of elegance and finesse.

## Vineyards

Regarded as one of the wettest growing seasons on record, the 2016/17 period experienced high levels of rainfall, helping to flush soils and ensure minimal irrigation was required. It also saw the growth of exceptionally healthy canopies, slightly above average yields and a delayed start to vintage. However, the comparatively dry harvest period allowed later ripening varieties such as Grenache and Mataro to develop evenly and become stand-outs, showing intense flavour and colour profiles and wonderful balance.

## Winemaking

This wine is a blend of three classic varieties; Grenache (55%), Shiraz (35%) and Mataro (10%). Each variety that went into this blend was fermented separately before being transferred into a combination of quality French and American oak barrels. Here, it was allowed to mature and develop in flavour prior to the final blend.

## **Tasting Notes**

Colour	Deep red with a ruby hue	
Nose	Aromas of spicy red berry fruits and cherry combine beautifully with the subtle scent of roses to produce a complex and appealing bouquet.	
Palate	The palate is ripe and juicy, showing lovely upfront characters of dark berries and aniseed, just a hint of savoury, earthy spice and delightfully soft, fine grained tannins.	
Cellaring	2021	
Food Match	Wild mushroom risotto	

<b>Alcohol</b> : 14.5%	<b>pH</b> : 3.47	Titratable Acidity : 5.73 g/l
Residual Sugar: 3.4 g/l	Bottling Date : May 2018	

