

"Cabernet is my guilty pleasure wine, it's the bottle I crack on a friday night at home alone on the couch with a comfort film rolling and a hot box of pizza. One of the most widely planted grape varieties in the world, it expresses place and presence in a unique and very special way. 2020 was a year of small crops and plenty of concentration, resulting in a wine of subtle elegance and characteristic depth. Mclaren Vale has got top notch Cab but it's a secret that often gets overlooked for Shiraz.

~ Sam Berketa. Head Winemaker

Name

Very Special

Vintage 2020

Variety

Region

Cabernet Sauvignon McLaren Vale

Nose

Blackcurrants, dust, spice box.

Palate

Structured and earthy, there's a plush density to the palate yet slides through easy thanks to the bright acidity.

Pair

Barbecued lamb or stuffed capsicums.

Winemaking

100% Destemmed. Fermented by wild yeast. 10 days on skins. Gently plunged twice daily. Pressed to 40% new french oak and seasoned barriques for 30 months. Full and spontaneous MLF.

Vineyard

Harnett Vineyard, Willunga Foothills LC98 Clone planted on own roots in 1998. 70m elevation, flat with no aspect. Dark clay over limestone. VSP spur pruned with foliage wires.

 Alcohol
 Acidity

 14.5%
 6.4g/L

 pH
 Cellaring

 3.57
 15 Years

Alpha Box & Dice would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we make our wines and respect their ongoing connection to land, culture and sea. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

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