



Shingleback

McLaren Vale

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McLaren Vale's Davey Brothers Expand "Shingleback" Distribution. Highly Acclaimed Wines Now Available Throughout Australia.

McLaren Vale, South Australia – Highly acclaimed Shingleback Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon, as well as the winery's new Chardonnay are now available throughout Australia. Brothers John and Kym Davey, co-owners and winemaker / managing director respectively, appointed Angove's for distribution of the Shingleback portfolio throughout Australia late last year.

Since Shingleback debuted with the 1998 vintage, the wines have earned significant acclaim throughout Australia and the U.S., including a ranking as one of *Winestate's* top five Shiraz in Australia in 2003 as well as 90+ ratings from such influential U.S. publications as *Wine Advocate* and *Wine Spectator*.

Brothers Kym & John Davey planted their family-owned estate vineyard on land their grandfather purchased in 1959. As the Davey Family Vineyard has matured Shingleback has gradually increased production to meet growing demand for the wines in both Australia and the U.S. Fellow winemaker Dan Hills, a previous holder of the *McLaren Vale Bushing King* title, joined John after the 2004 vintage to ensure that demand could be met.

Shingleback wines currently available include the 2002 Shiraz, a full-bodied, supple wine with a core of ultra-ripe berry and spice (\$29.00); the 2002 D-Block, a limited production, concentrated wine with ripe blackberry and blueberry aromas and layers of dense black fruit (\$50.00); the 2002 Shingleback Cabernet Sauvignon, rich and earthy, with lush black fruit (\$29.00) and the 2003 Shingleback Chardonnay, rich peach and melon flavours with creamy cashew like complexities (\$24.00).

The wines are the pride of John, who has worked throughout the Barossa Valley, Langhorne Creek and Yarra Valley regions as well as the McLaren Vale since the early 1990s. He and his brother Kym co-manage the Davey Family Vineyard. “When you own your own vineyard and make your own wines, you manage the site right down to the individual vine,” John explains. “I select the best blocks for our wines, then pick them at the precise moment when both sugars and flavours are at their optimum. With the right fruit, minimal handling is required and the character of the growing region and the grape shines through.”

Shingleback is family-owned, handcrafting rich fruit-forward Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay from their McLaren Vale estate vineyard utilising innovative canopy management and progressive viticultural techniques to produce wines of exceptional quality and character.

All of the wines are also available at Shingleback’s new cellar door located at the McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Visitors Centre, 1 Main Road, McLaren Vale. The cellar door is open daily from 10am to 5pm.

Stockist Information

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Shingleback Shiraz - 1998

2 Bronze; 2 Silver;

2001 Winestate Magazine McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Tasting

Five Star Rating

Shingleback Shiraz - 1999

7 Bronze; 1 Silver;

2001 Winestate Magazine McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Tasting

Four Star Rating

Shingleback Shiraz - 2000

8 Bronze; 2 Silver;

Shingleback Shiraz - 2001

4 Bronze; 3 Silver

2003 Wine Spectator

90 points

2003 Winestate Magazine Shiraz Tasting

Four ½ Star Rating

2003 Winestate Magazine McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Tasting

Three ½ Star Rating

2003 Royal Queensland Wine Show – Class 53

Gold Medal

2003 Royal Hobart Wine Show – Class 58

Gold Medal

Shingleback Shiraz - 2002

5 Bronze; 4 Silver

Robert Parker – The Wine Advocate

90 points

2004 Winestate Magazine New Release Tasting

Four Star Rating

2003 Royal Melbourne Wine Show - Class 20

Gold Medal

2003 Royal Hobart Wine Show – Class 58

Gold Medal

2004 Royal Melbourne Wine Show - Class 58

Gold Medal

2005 Sydney International Wine Competition

BLUE Gold Medal

2005 Japan Wine Challenge

Gold Medal

Shingleback Shiraz – 2003

1 Bronze; 1 Silver;

2004 Royal Melbourne Wine Show - Class 20

Gold Medal

2005 Winestate Magazine Shiraz & Blends Tasting July / August

Four Star Rating

2005 Winestate Magazine McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Tasting

Four ½ Star Rating