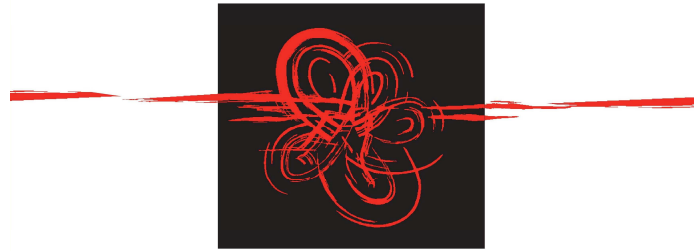


# Red Knot



2007  
SHIRAZ

## McLaren Vale

The region has a Mediterranean climate with wet winters, dry summers and plenty of sunshine. The proximity to St Vincent Gulf, coincidentally named after the patron saint of winemakers, benefits fruit quality with warmer spring and autumn conditions and cooler summers. McLaren Vale is renowned as a premium wine region of great beauty that consistently produces high quality wines with rich flavours.

## Vintage Notes

The 2007 vintage will be remembered for the driest winter and spring on record. Early recognition of the severity of the drought triggered supplementary irrigation as early as bud swell. Unlike many areas McLaren Vale was unaffected by frost. The environmentally sensitive use of recycled water to supplement underground water resources allowed the establishment and maintenance of balanced canopies. Yields were well down, due to small berries and loose, open bunches. Rain in January caused some minor berry splitting but breathed new life into the vines. Split berries shrivelled away cleanly and the only detrimental effect was on yield.

Steady ripening has resulted in highly aromatic and intensely flavoured fruit with the red wines showing balanced acidity and textured tannins.

## Tasting Note

Bright plum red. Fragrant strawberry and black cherry aromas are subtly enhanced with floral nuances and hints of savoury oak. The mid-palate overflows with ripe, luscious berries and the long fruit finish is defined with a fresh acidity and subtle American and French oak. A medium-full bodied wine that is enticing and seductive in its youth.

## McLAREN VALE

## VINEYARD SOURCE

Shingleback Vineyard, McLaren Vale  
Friends & Neighbours Vineyards, McLaren Vale

## VARIETY BLEND

92% Shiraz  
8% Grenache

## VARIETY BLEND

Alc: 14.0%  
pH: 3.52  
TA: 6.4 g/L

## accolades

### GOLD MEDAL

2009 New World Wine Awards, New Zealand  
**90pts**

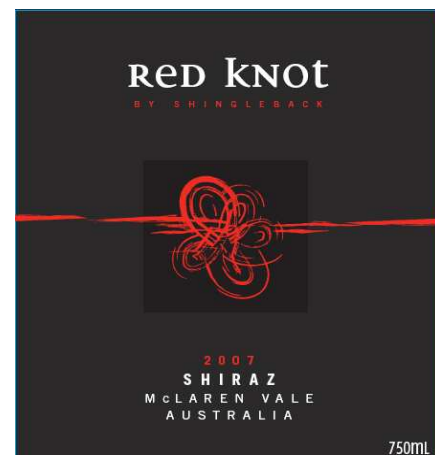
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### BRONZE MEDAL

2008 National Wine Show of Australia, Class 46

### BRONZE MEDAL

2008 McLaren Vale Wine Show, Class 10



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