







# $\mathsf{THE}$ STUMP **JUMP**

## Shiraz

## McLaren Vale 2020

#### The Name

It is rumoured that the inventor of the Stump Jump plough, which enabled a ploughshare to jump over tree roots, had poor eyesight and required regular tests to ensure he could still operate machinery. The design of this label is inspired by an optometrist's eyechart and serves as a makeshift sobriety test. If you can hold the bottle at arm's length and still read the front label, you can enjoy another glass.

### The Vintage

Winter and Spring rains were quite good which meant vigour was high. October and November saw some cooler weather which made flowering and set spread out over a long period with an intense short heat wave in the middle of set reducing the crop significantly. A nice rain on the 1st of February set the vines up well and mild to cool, dry, weather prevailed. A few slightly warmer nights in the later part of ripening helped the last sugar push. Yields were down significantly, the lowest in memory, however, quality is exceptional. Some of the best wines seen for years. Great colour, fruit characters, flavours and length.

#### The Winemaking

The grapes used in this wine are mostly from very old bush vines, and underwent gentle crushing, traditional open tank fermentation, basket pressing and oak maturation prior to bottling.

#### The Wine

Absolutely the best value Shiraz on the market. Fragrant aromas of strawberries, blackberries and raspberries on the nose. On the mouth you will encounter an absolute brilliant Shiraz. Rich yet velvety. Finely structured by polished tannins. Intricate flavours of blackberries and cherries comes at first, followed by wild strawberries and mulberries. Mouth-coating and silky finish it is the perfect closure for this wine. Drink now to enjoy all its fresh character and finesse.

Chief Winemaker	Chester Osborn	Senior Winemaker	Jack Walton
Residual sugar	1.0 g/l	Titratable acid	6.6
pH	3.50	Alcohol	14%