





# LONG ROW

## 2020 SHIRAZ

RIVERLAND & MCLAREN VALE

#### **VINEYARD**

The grapes for this wine were sourced from the Angove family's own riverland vineyards and premium growers in the McLaren Vale (>25%) region.

2020 was a challenging vintage on many fronts. Frosts were followed by windy conditions during flowering and then a hailstorm that ripped through the region causing significant damage in early November just as the vines were hitting their prime ripening period. Thankfully, the our Vineyard was spared much of the destruction that occurred elsewhere but yields were still significantly down. Stable, dry conditions occurred from December onwards keeping disease pressure under control and with good canopy management the vines were able to ripen their precious cargo to perfection with harvest beginning in late February and continuing to early March. Whilst yields were significantly down, 2020 will be remembered as a vintage of extremely good quality.

#### **WINEMAKING**

The grapes were picked at night to make sure that they were as cool as possible. Crushed to modern rotary and sweeparm fermenters the grapes were then allowed to macerate for 2 days before inoculation and fermentation. Pressed off skins around 1 week later and allowed to go through the second malolactic fermentation. The wine has then had minimal handling prior to filtration for bottling on the Angove Family Estate.

### **TASTING NOTES**

COLOUR Intense deep purple in colour, with dark red hues.

AROMA Forest fruits and plum with notes of spice

and pepper.

FLAVOUR Rich ripe berry and plum characters continue

and precede fine, soft smooth tannins and a good length of fruit. Some vanillin and toast characters provide a well

balanced finish.

CELLAR POTENTIAL 4 Years

#### HAVE IT WITH ...

Perfect partner to your favourite steak, pizza or pasta dish.

Vegan Friendly.