

We are a family business with a long history, recently taken over by the fifth generation. Our single estate vineyard in McLaren Vale is uniquely high and cool. The old vines and more recent plantings all produce exceptional fruit that's healthy and balanced – the wines are fresh and bright, but with complexity and depth; layered, just like the site on which they grow. Our vines are our family and our wines have been recognised for more than 40 years.

HUGO Reserve Shiraz 2015

Only made in years with exceptional vintage conditions, the Hugo reserve shiraz is sourced from the oldest shiraz vines on the Hugo estate planted by John Hugo in 1969. These old gnarly vines are hand picked and hand sorted and consistently produce wines of depth, intensity and generous mouthfeel while still having fine soft tannins.

Tasting Note Clean and intense, featuring volumes of juicy, black currant, blood plum and dark cherry fruit elements that are enhanced by the lingering dark chocolate and spice flavours experienced in the mouthfeel.

Vintage The 2015 was one which saw low to moderate yields but very good quality. The lower yields combined with a warm summer meant a very compressed vintage with the vast majority of vineyards picked within a month.

Vineyard Sourced from the first Shiraz vines planted by John Hugo on the Hugo Estate planted in 1969. Low yielding vines which produce the best fruit on the property. The 4 Acre 'Old vine' Shiraz vines are handpicked and hand sorted before ferment.

Winemaking Fermentation 8 days over skins and matured in 65% French and 35% American oak hogsheads. 35% New Oak, remaining balance 1-3 year old barrels. Careful Barrel selection then used for final wine

Serve Rib eye steak with crispy kipfler potatoes

Variety

Shiraz 100%

Region

McLaren Vale

Year Planted

1969

Elevation

180 metres above sea level.

Soils

Rich loam onto clay with river bedrock.

Cellaring

14+ years

Alcohol

14.5%

