

# HUGO WINES

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 Rose 2023

*Hand picked from two blocks on the Hugo estate. The old bush vines right by cellar door planted in 1951 add fruit purity and delicacy. The younger block planted in 2018 - 2019 add freshness and a natural acidity. Our aim is to make a crisp dry style Grenache Rose with texture and fruit purity.*

**Tasting Note** Bright, fresh savoury spice. Lingering fruit and acid, raspberry, redcurrant, and sour cherry.

**Vintage** One of the more challenging years in the past decade. Rain from September - through to harvest created consistent challenges in reaching optimal ripeness. Thankfully attention to detail in viticulture including bunch thinning to reduce crop load & speed up ripening, lift up foliage wires to let in more sun light, and restricted irrigation provided some outstanding results particularly in the younger grenache block.

**Vineyard** Estate grown bush vine Grenache with a vine age of 70 years. The outside rows were selected which crop significantly higher than the remainder of the block.

Fruit was also sourced from a young grenache block planted by the Hugo family in 2018 & 2019. This block has been shoot thinned and trained with lift up foliage wires to still produce high quality fruit.

**Winemaking** Crushed and held on skins for only minutes to extract colour and flavour, then gently pressed.

Fermented cool to preserve fruit purity and delicacy. Wine also received regular lee stirring to build texture. After ferment when the Rose was 'dry', bottling occurred shortly after to capture freshness.

**TROPHY - Best Rose - McLaren Vale Wine Show 2023**

### Variety

Grenache 100%

### Region

McLaren Vale

### Year Planted

1951, 2018 & 2019

### Elevation

180-200 metres above sea level.

### Soils

Rich loam onto clay with river bedrock.

### Alcohol

12.5%

### Vegan Friendly

