



Two Hands

This single-vineyard Shiraz, sourced from a 51-year-old vineyard, balances spicy complexity and mineral freshness, showcasing the unique terroir of its elevated site.



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Alcohol :14,00 %

Composition: 100% Syrah

Dave's Block Single Vineyard Shiraz 2020

Barossa Valley, Australia

Region and Vineyards

The **Blewitt Springs** sub-region of **McLaren Vale** is revered for producing some of Australia's most refined and expressive Shiraz wines. Located at an **altitude of 152 meters**, Dave's Block benefits from a **cooler microclimate** than the lower areas of McLaren Vale, allowing for a slower ripening period. This natural moderation results in wines with lifted aromatics, vibrant acidity, and well-defined structure. The **deep bleached white sand over mottled orange clay** is a defining feature of this site, imparting minerality and finely textured tannins to the wine.

Planted **over 51 years ago**, the old vines of Dave's Block produce low yields of intensely flavored fruit. The **average annual rainfall of 675mm** helps maintain a balanced vine canopy, reducing the need for irrigation and allowing for a natural concentration of flavors. The **2020 vintage** posed significant heat challenges, yet these seasoned vines withstood the conditions with ease, delivering **grapes of exceptional quality and depth**. The resulting wine is a **true reflection of site and season**, offering remarkable purity, structure, and aging potential.

Winemaking

This **100% Shiraz** was carefully harvested at peak ripeness before undergoing **crushing and de-stemming**. The fruit was then transferred into **stainless steel open-top fermenters**, where it spent **10 days on skins** to extract color, tannins, and aromatic complexity. Cap management techniques were meticulously controlled to ensure **a balance between concentration and elegance**, preserving the vineyard's hallmark freshness and fine structure.

Following fermentation, the wine was **drained and racked into French oak puncheons (30% new) for 18 months of maturation**. The aging process allowed the wine's dark fruit core to integrate seamlessly with the oak, developing layers of spice, depth, and finesse. To maintain its purity, the wine was **bottled with minimal fining and no filtration**, ensuring a wine of exceptional clarity and textural refinement. The result is a **Shiraz of great depth, elegance, and longevity**, embodying the best qualities of Blewitt Springs terroir.



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Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep purple with an inky core and vibrant ruby edges.
- **Aroma:** Notes of mint, dried herbs, Asian spice, soy, potpourri, and fresh-baked macarons, with undertones of beef stock and ground ginger.
- **Palate:** A creamy entry leads to a structured core of **plum, violets, and blueberries**, framed by **ferrous minerality and finely textured tannins**. The finish is long and elegant.

Did You Know?

Blewitt Springs is regarded as **one of the most prestigious sub-regions of McLaren Vale**, known for producing Shiraz wines with **higher aromatic lift, finer tannins, and superior aging potential** than those from the valley floor. The region's unique **sandy soils contribute to a distinctive silkiness and minerality**, setting it apart from the richer, more robust expressions of McLaren Vale Shiraz.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Chargrilled Wagyu steak** – The fine tannins and rich fruit profile perfectly complement the marbled texture and umami depth of Wagyu beef.
- **Lamb tagine with prunes and almonds** – The wine's spice-driven aromatics and dark fruit intensity enhance the dish's complexity.
- **Roasted duck with a plum glaze** – The bright acidity and structured tannins balance the richness of the duck and the sweetness of the glaze.
- **Aged cheddar or Comté** – The wine's **savory, mineral-driven tannins** harmonize beautifully with the nutty, crystalline character of aged cheeses.



Robert Parker (RP) : 96 Points (2020)

This 2020 Shiraz Dave's Block Blythmans Road Blewitt Springs is an elegant wine with balanced deli meat and purple berries. The flavors carry over the palate and through into the finish and linger long after the wine has gone. Pink peppercorns and crushed granite, briny acidity and sheets of nori. A really lovely wine that is coming out of its shell as we speak. I think this will only improve, and it's already very good.



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