



# Pearl

## RESERVE



### **Pearl Reserve Currency Creek South Australia Shiraz 2015**

#### **Growing Region:**

Currency Creek, South Australia.

#### **Vintage Conditions:**

The 2015 vintage in our Currency Creek vineyards, a sub region of McLaren Vale, were perfect in many respects. Yields were low, but the resulting fruit was of the highest quality. It was decided to refrain from irrigating to further maximise the sugar levels of the grapes to produce only the finest eventual wines.

#### **Winemaking:**

The fermentation of this wine was conventional and classic, with the fermenting juice kept "on skins" for just over 9 days to maximise colour and flavour extraction. The skins were then pressed gently and the pressings pumped back with the free-run. The wine was then fermented out slowly over 5 days, allowed to settle and then racked off lees. Malolactic fermentation the ensued and the components were pumped directly to barrel. The malolactic ferment then proceeded steadily. The wine was aged in a combination of new, one year old and two year old French, American and Hungarian oak. The wine was finally blended and prepared for bottling following extended maturation.

#### **Tasting Notes:**

The wine displays a wonderful aroma of plums, pepper and spice, supported by elegant and refined oak character. The palate is very full bodied, but also well balanced displaying a long palate graph. The characteristics of the wine are true to the style of its origin, Currency Creek, South Australia.

#### **Cellaring:**

This delightful Shiraz is excellent drinking right now, but you will be rewarded in 5-7 years of cellaring under correct conditions.

