



HJ SHIRAZ 2022 McLaren Vale

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H.J. Oliver

HERBERT JOHN OLIVER [BORN 1922]

THE Greats RESERVE SERIES

— ‘The Greats’ is an exceptional range of single vineyard wines that pay homage to the Oliver family’s many colourful characters, while showcasing the very

WINEMAKER

Corrina

Corrina Wright,
6th Generation

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Shiraz,
‘The Old Block’, 1948

COLOUR

Deep maroon

ALCOHOL

14.5 %

CELLARING

Drink now to 2050

OAK

18mths, 35% new French oak

HISTORY

This is the 21st release of our iconic HJ Shiraz. The HJ is picked from our very best parcels of old vine Shiraz on the Taranga vineyard – it has been barrel selected and bottle aged for your optimum enjoyment. Named after our grandfather Herbert John ‘HJ’ Oliver, we know he would be very proud of his namesake wine. The HJ joins the DJ Cabernet and RW Grenache as ‘The Greats’, wines representing family members who have been instrumental in the creation of a great multi-generational family business.

VINTAGE

2022 was another cracking vintage in McLaren Vale. A long, cool ripening period and no heatwaves meant that we had plenty of opportunity to ripen the Shiraz perfectly.

AROMA

Choc berry fruits, dark cherry and plum, anise, mocha and blackberry.

PALATE

Abundant fruitcake spice, chocolatey, meaty, rich and dark fruited. A full bodied, delicious drink with long fine tannins rounding out this powerhouse of a wine. Super fresh and supple drinking now, but the 2022 HJ will certainly reward cellaring for the very patient (and self-disciplined!)

FROM THE WRITERS [2021]

“From 1948-planted estate vines, indigenous ferment, matured in French oak (35% new). This has classic stylings, richly supple fruit, dusty, earthy scents and dark spices, but the house refinement is also on show. It’s like an old snapshot, artfully colourised. Black and blue fruits, Christmas spices, crème de mure, coffee crema and dark cocoa. There’s richness and a supple flex to the palate, oak suitably matched, tannins cleansingly savoury. It’s a very smart release.”

95 points, Marcus Ellis,
Halliday Wine Companion 2025



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GREAT GRANDFATHER.