YANGARRA
ESTATE VINEYARD

SHIRAZ

Yangarra is a single-vineyard estate situated in Blewitt Springs, at the northern edge of the McLaren Vale region, South Australia. Yangarra's combination of ancient geology, high altitude and Mediterranean climate provide the ideal growing conditions for the best grape varieties of the southern Rhône.

2020 SHIRAZ

From the old-world Rhône Syrah to the South Australian red sweetheart, Shiraz evolves once again in the sandy soils of Blewitt Springs. Sourced from six unique blocks on our elevated site, the elegant Yangarra Shiraz is shaped by its connection to the sand and ironstone soils that overlie the ancient North Maslin Sands geological formation beneath. Prepare for the unexpected.

VINTAGE SUMMARY

The growing season was affected by a very hot spring, leading to the lowest yields on record. As the grapes started their ripening process the weather miraculously cooled to a very mild ripening season. This resulted in wonderful concentration of flavour, retention of natural acidity and brightness of fruit, but above all, beautiful finesse and balanced tannins.

WINEMAKING

Sourced from six blocks within the estate. Approximately 50% on sand, 50% on ironstone. Picked between the 4th and 26th of March. Destemmed and selectively sorted. 50% whole berries. Wild yeast ferment. Open fermenters and on skins for up to 20 days. A gentle maceration principle of wetting the cap and only draining and returning when reductive. No pressings are used in this wine. Èlevage on lees in 1 to 3 year French oak puncheons for 7 months. Then blended to older 45hL foudre for a further 7 months. Bottled September 2021.

VARIETY
100% Shiraz

YEAR PLANTED
1999

REGION
Blewitt Springs, McLaren Vale

SOIL
Sand and ironstone

GEOLOGY
North Maslin Sands
(54 million years old)

ELEVATION
170 - 195m above sea level

ALCOHOL
14.0%

PH	TA
3.66	5.5 g/L

ACO Certified Organic & Biodynamic
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