



*french island vineyards*

ESTATE GROWN & HANDMADE  
BY VIGNERON PETER HATTON

SHIRAZ 2019

### VITICULTURE

100% Estate grown and handpicked entirely from our Blue Gums vineyard on French Island.

**Harvest date:** 26th March 2019

**Site selection:** The Shiraz grapes are grown on a north easterly aspect that is open to the cooling sea breezes of Westernport bay, which allows our fruit to achieve a fully developed flavour profile.

**Vintage Notes:** The 2019 season was a cooler year and quite wet throughout. This was ideal to allow our wine to produce flavours in accordance to a cooler climate Shiraz. A creamy Shiraz with a licorice nose and sweet blackfruits, cigar and vanilla lingering taste.

### WINEMAKING

**Skin Contact time:** 8 days

**Yeast:** Natural wild from vineyard

**Fermentation Time:** 6days

**Malo-lactic ferment:** 100%

**pH:** 3.34

**Alcohol:** 14%

**Cooperage:** Francois Freres, Mercury barrels

**Vessel type, age and size:** French Oak 15% new with a combination of barrique (225L). Medium and Standard Toast effect barrels. Old & New

### WINEMAKER NOTES

A gutsy cool climate Shiraz with licorice aromas and a palate of sweet blackfruits, leathriness, tobacco and vanilla undertones. This berry infused Shiraz of deep purple colouring leaves a nice lingering aftertaste with creamy finish.

*"The most gutsy, robust Shiraz we have made, a top-class wine."* - Peter

Goes well with French Island Black Angus steak.