

# CARNIVAL OF LOVE SHIRAZ



## 2014 Tech Sheet

### Viticulture Report

Almost the perfect vintage. We had heat in January, some rain in February just when we needed it, and perfect ripening weather in March with temperatures in the mid 20s (77F). The openness of the canopies and ventilation in the fruit zone gave us lovely clean fruit.

### Winery Report

Most of our fruit was picked in April, producing great colour and depth. The reds went through primary and malolactic fermentation and barrel maturation in record time. The resulting 2014 wines are amazing.

### Winemaker Tasting Notes

Luscious cherry, blackberry and plum jam fruit flavours marry together, forming this powerful yet elegant Shiraz. Made from a selection of McLaren Vale's premier grapes, its deep colour and fragrant nose leads to quite a voluptuous palate of fruit intertwined with rich mocha, coffee and chocolate, with traces of licorice and toffee. Carnival of Love offers exceptional complexity while remaining balanced and delightful to drink.

### Awards

- 2014 WS 95 and #30 Wine in the World; Winestate 5 stars
- 2013 WS 93; Winestate 4.5 stars
- 2012 WS 95 and #2 Wine in the World; WA 95;  
**Winestate's Wine of the Year for 2014**
- 2011 WS 94; WA 93+; Winestate 4.5 stars
- 2010 WA 95; WS 94
- 2009 WS 94 and Hot Wine; WA 93
- 2007 WA 96; WS 95 and 9<sup>th</sup> Best Wine in the World
- 2006 WA 97; WS 95 and 8<sup>th</sup> Best Wine in the World
- 2005 WA 99; WS 94



**MARQUIS FRUIT WEIGHT**  
*Our guarantee of quality*

**Required: 85% - 90% Actual: 91%**

Marquis Fruit Weight™ is the percentage of your palate (from the tip of your tongue going all the way back) that's covered by the velvety sensation of fruit, before you experience any of the structural components of the wine.

Vineyards:  
Gateway  
McLaren Vale

Sustainably Grown  
Picked 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> April

Barrel fermented and matured:  
100% American oak  
100% new

Alc/Vol: 16.5%  
Residual sugar: 3.6  
pH: 3.55

RRP: \$75

### What is Carnival of Love?

This is as life should be - a Carnival of Love. A place where everyone wants to be and no one wants to leave.