

## 2005 McLaren Vale Shiraz

### TASTING NOTE

*The deepest of inky colours, the aromas which come off this wine are of black pepper, walnut and dark cherry. A full rich palate follows with blackberry and mocha and balanced cedary oak. The juicy, dark, rounded tannins have length and line.*

### CELLARING

*Will drinking well at the end of 2008 but will reward patience and further ageing for up to 15 years.*

### VINEYARDS

*Expertly hand-made by John Duval and David Fatches, from Songlines Estates, Bylines is made from some of the best Shiraz vines in the McLaren Vale.*

*McLaren Vale's unique warm Mediterranean climate cooled by the southern ocean provides the foundation for Bylines. Combine this with the areas huge diversity of quality viticultural soils, altitudes and aspects and you have Shiraz fruit with amazing depth of intensity and purity of fruit.*

*The vineyards contain vines up to 100 years old and all yields are below 2 tonnes an acre. All blocks are pruned and picked by hand. This careful organisation allows them to pick not vineyards but rows or even vine by vine to ensure optimum harvest time for all fruit.*

### WINEMAKING

*A variety of winemaking techniques are used to match each batch of wine perfectly. This means different batches could be open vat fermentation or submerged cap ferments. Temperatures are generally warmer although some cool fermented vats may be included in the final blend.*

*Batches are selected that will show a more generous flavour earlier in its life, with softer tannins, rounder structure and an open display of fruit character.*

*The wine is matured for between 15-18 months using the French oak barrels used to mature last years Songlines.*

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MCLAREN VALE  
SHIRAZ

750ml 14.5% ALC/VOL WINE - PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIA

Handcrafted wine from Australia's finest vineyards



### TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

pH: 3.60

TA: 6.7

Alcohol: 14.5%

Bottling Date: Nov 2006