# HARDYS

In 1853 Australia, against a backdrop of global uncertainty Thomas Hardy set out to make wines 'revered around the world'. In today's uncertain world Hardys continues to provide consumers certainty in their wine choice each and every time.

With over 9,000 global awards, a band of ambassadors around the globe, every bottle is a mark of...Certainty in an Uncertain World.

# 2018 Eileen Hardy Shiraz



#### **EILEEN HARDY**

Compassionate, generous and determined, Eileen Hardy's spirit for life and adventure continues at the very heart of Hardys.

# **GRAPE VARIETY**

Shiraz

# **COLOUR**

Brilliant deep red with vibrant hue.

#### **NOSE**

Complex and vibrant aromas of chocolate, leather, black olive, plum, mulberry and blueberry.

# **PALATE**

A densely flavoured wine exhibiting layers of flavour and complexity. Intense dark chocolate, ripe blueberry and plum mixed in with liquorice, peat and roasted coffee beans. The palate rounds out with fine silky tannins, majestic balance and remarkable persistence of flavour.

# **VINEYARD REGION**

McLaren Vale

# **VINTAGE CONDITIONS**

2018 saw a typically warm and dry growing season in McLaren Vale with temperatures generally 1 degree Celsius above average. Spring rains brought good growth and soil moisture out of a relatively dry winter. January and February saw near ideal conditions deliver Shiraz with intense colour and flavour development. Mild conditions extended during March allowing harvest to occur at optimal ripeness

# **WINE ANALYSIS**

Alc/Vol: 14.3% Acidity (TA): 6.27g/L

pH: 3.53

Residual Sugar: 0.3g/L

# **PEAK DRINKING**

Up to 20+ years cellaring

#### **FOOD MATCH**

Beef cheeks with pomme puree

# **WINEMAKER**

Paul Lapsley

