# **MAXWELL TASTING NOTE**





# Four Roads Grenache 2021

## **Vintage Conditions**

McLaren Vale's 2021 vintage was high yielding of great quality. We believe that the quality levels were some of the best in twenty years. A mild winter and sunny conditions saw good budburst and flowering around October.

Two good rain events in late January and early February were enough to freshen the leaves prior to harvest.

### Colour & Aroma

Bright red. This wine has aromatics of fresh raspberry and red fruits with a sprinkling of Mediterranean herbs.

#### **Pairing**

Venison, macadamia, cherry

#### **Palate**

Old vine elegance from vines planted in 1928.
Bright red fruits of raspberry & redcurrant, layers of spice, wrapped up in silky tannins.
Savoury oak spice from aging in only french oak, with a long & mellow finish.

#### **Reviews**

#### 94 Points | Wine Pilot | Ray Jordan

The basis for this excellent grenache is a 90-year-old McLaren Vale vineyard planted using terraced rows. The vintage which was one of the best in 20 years really gave them something to play with. So beautifully weighted with the medium bodied showing the finesse to showcase this variety. Red fruits with a lift of rose petal and a slightly savoury edge on the finish. A complete and thoroughly delicious wine.

#### **Technical Notes**

Varietal Composition	Region (GI)	Alcohol
Grenache 100%	McLaren Vale	14.0% Alc./Vol.
Residual Sugar	<b>TA</b>	<b>рН</b>
2.3g/L	5.4g/L	3.47

#### Winemakers

Kate Petering Mark Maxwell

#### **Winemaking Notes**

Vineyards harvested in sections, which were vinified separately and matured in French oak for 12 months. The individual parcels only came together when blended for bottling. Cellar in ideal conditions for 5-10 years.