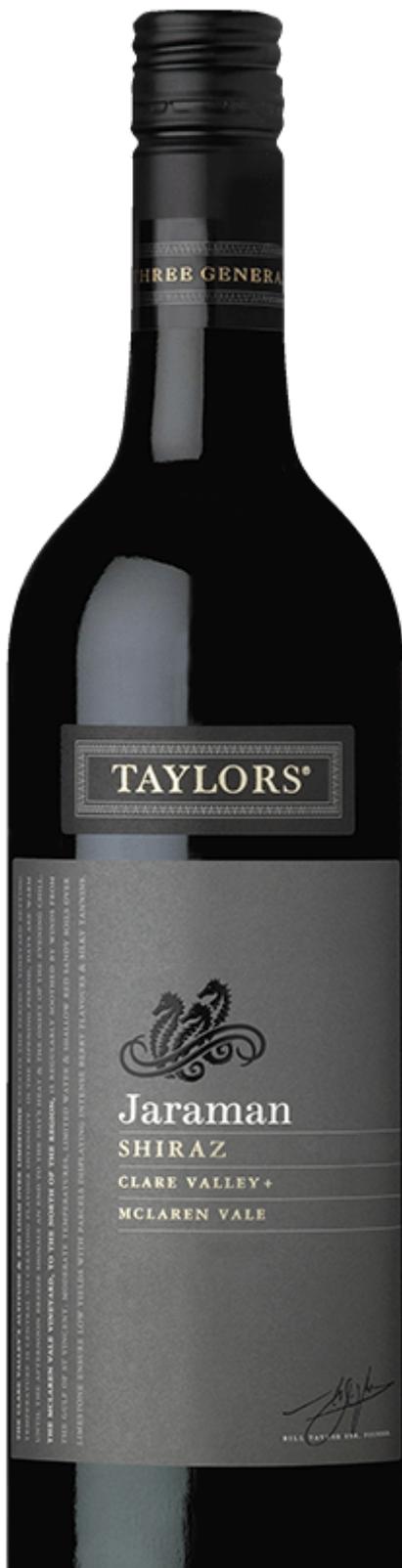




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## Jaraman

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### SHIRAZ 2016

#### REGION

Clare Valley / McLaren Vale

#### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

In the Clare Valley, rainfall was below average for the season, but it was not the amount that had the biggest impact; it was the timing. Mother Nature saw fit to dole out just the right amount of water at just the right time for maximum positive impact on the vine's health and importantly, the quality of the fruit produced. In fact, this was just one of the factors at play when it comes to the vintage being lauded as one of the greats. Firstly, the vines were 'stress free' heading into the winter period, creating the potential for a superior crop. Secondly, conditions were ideal during flowering and then lastly, the threat of frost did not eventuate. All these conditions combined to create what called be described as 'the perfect storm' for an excellent vintage. In McLaren Vale, the growing season leading up to vintage 2016 saw lower than average winter rainfall followed by long dry periods. Spring was warm and dry which promoted good shoot growth and even flowering. At the beginning of February, the region received double the average monthly rainfall over two days due to one storm. However, far from having a negative effect, the intense rain increased the yields at harvest and relieved any water stress on the vines. Shiraz again standing out as one of those varieties that traditionally fare well in dry seasons.

#### VINIFICATION

The grapes were gently de-stemmed and transferred to small static stainless steel fermenters. Half of the grapes were cold soaked at 6 degrees C for 5 days to deliver increased fruit expression. The fruit was then fermented at a constant warm temperature using a Shiraz-specific yeast isolate. Gentle mixing using inert gas occurred 2 – 3 times over the course of the day. The wine was then gently pressed to a mixture of American oak hogshead and barrique barrels (30% 1 year old, 70% 2 – 3 year old) for secondary, malo-lactic fermentation. Post MLF, the wine was transferred back to barrel for maturation before being fined, filtered and bottled in November 2017. This blend is - Clare Valley 63%, McLaren Vale 37%.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

At release, the wine has a deep crimson red colour to the centre with a vibrant purple hue to the edges. There are lifted aromas of red berry and cherry fruit along with subtle black olive and spice. This is a rich, full-bodied wine with intense flavours of ripe red berry fruit, violets and attractive oak characters of roasted coffee beans and dark chocolate. Overall, the wine is well balanced with complex, well-integrated tannins providing the palate with an intense, persistent length.

#### CELLARING NOTES

8 to 10 years

#### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol	14.79%	Acid	6.59g/litre
PH	3.56	Residual Sugar	0.90



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### REVIEWS FOR JARAMAN SHIRAZ 2016

Ronn Weigand MW, MS, Star Listings (Wakefield) - issues 175, 176, 177

12 jan 2017

4+ stars

The 2016 is very distinct in character (loganberry, red licorice, plum, blackberry, violet, black pepper, cedar), full bodied, and medium rich, with very good balance, and long, somewhat toasty finish. Still quite young; warrants additional bottle aging. Aged in American oak barrels and casks.

Rob Geddes MW, Winter Warmers Top 10

5 jan 2018

A smart blend of fruit from two of Australia's best shiraz regions, shows a real intensity on the nose, layers of black fruits, and a touch of charcuterie oak. The palate is a tight knit ball of sweet blackberry and black cherry fruit, contained by authoritative fine grained tannins, with real depth and persistence. Very impressive for the price.

Huon Hooke,

5 jan 2018

90 points

Very deep red colour with purple tints. The bouquet is very savoury and full of walnut, pecan-like and sweet-berry aromas. The palate is likewise very savoury and drying, with abundant alcohol warmth and glycerol viscosity, slightly oaky tannins and a dry, firm, fairly oaky finish. A somewhat old-fashioned style, and good.

Matthew Jukes, Matthew Jukes 100 Best Australian Wines 2018/19

6 jan 2018

2016 Jaraman Shiraz is a wine that tastes like every grape was dipped in chocolate while on the vine! This is the third Jaraman cuvee to make this Report and the careful blending of earthy, spicy, tannin-dusted Clare Valley Shiraz and glossy, berry-stuffed, refreshingly energetic McLaren Vale Shiraz is so well judged it is incredible. The value that this label brings to the table, for a prestige wine flavour, is also truly impressive.

Campbell Mattinson,

6 jan 2018

91 points

Texture and flavour are in good shape and the finish is sound, indeed satisfying.

Natalie Maclean,

7 jan 2018

92 points

Wakefield Jaraman is a zesty, full-bodied, Shiraz from Clare Valley wine region in South Australia. This Australian red wine is a regional blend of Shiraz grapes of about two-thirds Clare Valley and one-third McLaren Vale regions. The wine was partially cold-soaked for 4 days, then aged in 100% new American oak barrels for 11 months. Dark chocolate and sweet black fleshy plums on the nose with a pleasant zing of acidity mid-palate for lots of dishes from tangy meat sauces to grilled meats. More black fruit and mouth-filling roundness. A consistently good producer at fair prices for the quality. This Australian red wine is a regional blend of Shiraz grapes of about two-thirds Clare Valley and one-third McLaren Vale regions. The wine was partially cold-soaked for 4 days, then aged in 100% new American oak barrels for 11 months. Deeply concentrated and flavoured. Shiraz food pairings: juicy, grilled rare sirloin steak, hard cheese like Cheddar or Havarti.

Nick Stock, WHY AUSTRALIAN WINE IS SOME OF THE MOST EXCITING IN THE WORLD

8 jan 2018

89 points

Brambleberries, black peppers and spices. Full body, some decent fruit, light tannins and a slightly short finish. Nice tannins and acidity nonetheless. Screw cap.



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Steve Creber,

8 jan 2018

92 points

Stainless steel-fermented, then transferred to used American oak. Seems to be showing a definite McLaren Vale influence, with earthy, chocolate-tinged aromas and flavours. Alongside that there's generous red and black fruit, some sweetness of oak, and gentle but persistent tannin seamlessly folded in.

Richard Hemming MW,

5 jan 2018

17 points

Ripe, sweet black fruit with powerful vanilla character and delicious smoked-meat flavour too. Serious and complex, though the strong oak spice might be a little wearing for some. But as a classic South Australian Shiraz, this ticks all the boxes. (RH)

Wakefield Jaraman Shiraz 2016 (Australia) - Wine Review (Bottle 2)

1 jan 2019

88 points

Screw cap. Dark berry, mint, pepper and spice aromas waft from the glass with some jamminess. It is a touch confected on the full-bodied palate with smooth, silky tannins and fresh, lively acids supporting the minty, blueberry, dark berry, cocoa, and spice flavours. Some chalkiness arrives mid-palate. Smooth berry, mocha, and earthy notes linger on the juicy finish, with very good length. Aussie Shiraz lovers will like this.

Sarah Ahmed, Top Australian multi-regional blends

5 jan 2019

94 points

Lovely intensity, bright blackcurrant, plum, red cherry, plus savoury black olive, chocolate and rich vanilla oak nuances. Long tapering finish, liquorice spice.

