



## Bleeding Heart Shiraz 2020

<b>Grape Variety:</b>	<b>100% Shiraz</b>
<b>Region:</b>	<b>South Australia</b>
<b>Winemaker:</b>	<b>Jim Zerella</b>
<b>Closure:</b>	<b>Screwcap</b>
<b>Alcohol:</b>	<b>13.5%</b>



**Summary:** Bleeding Heart Wine was born from a shared passion in the wines and vineyards of South Australia. The ancient soils and moderate climate create rich and full bodied wines that are incredibly satisfying. Few that experience the lifestyle of food and wine or the beautiful landscape could argue that it is not better a bleeding heart than none at all.

**Vineyards:** Sourced from a combination of established, dry-grown vineyards in central South Australia Wines are made and matured by Jim Zerella in McLaren Vale. The fruit sourced delivers well-balanced wines with excellent intensity of flavour whilst maintaining elegance and versatility as a food match.

**Winemaking:** Fruit is chilled before de-stemming and a cold soak for three days. Each parcel is fermented separately with the Shiraz fermented in small open two tonne vessels before maturation in two to four-year-old oak barrels for six months.

**Vintage 2020:** 2020 had its challenges with a dry start and only a small portion of rain and with much of the country suffering drought conditions. The warm dry spell continued in December with some extreme hot temperature days recorded. It was a late ripening year and yields were down but despite the challenges it will be another excellent vintage across South Australia.

**Tasting Note:** A bright, lifted nose of red fruits, milk chocolate and subtle spices harmonising comfortably with subtle oak influence. The palate is mouth-filling and rich with ripe fruit flavours of blackberry and cassis framed by supple tannins. Approachable and rewarding now with the trademark richness and depth of ripe South Australian fruit making it perfect with a chargrilled steak.