



Take it to the Grave Grenache 2018

Region:	McLaren Vale
Grape Variety:	100% Grenache
Winemaker:	Corey Ryan
Alcohol:	14.2%
Pack Size:	6 Bottle Pack

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Summary: Take it to the Grave is a joint venture between Nicholas Crampton and South Australian winemaker Corey Ryan created to deliver interesting and rewarding wines whilst challenging a few established rules and preconceptions. The Take it to the Grave Shiraz takes on the mysteries and individual personalities of old-vine vineyards.

Vineyards: Sourced from a selection of mature, dry-grown vineyards in McLaren Vale managed by Jim Zerella across Willunga, Seaview and McLaren Flat.

Winemaking: The fruit was hand-harvested in the early morning to avoid the heat of the day. Delivered quickly to the winery for crushing then fermentation in a combination of tank and select parcels to open two tonne fermenters. Post ferment the wine spent 9 months maturation in second use French oak before bottling and release.

Vintage 2018: Bountiful winter rains set the season up beautifully ensuring plentiful soil moisture. A large hail storm arrived in early October but fortunately had minimal effect to bunches as it was arrived a touch too early. A fairly warm and even Summer and early Autumn ensured consistent ripening and maximum flavour development and ripeness. 2018 is considered a very good year for McLaren vale.

Tasting Note: Brick red with a purple hue. The wine has aromas of cherry, raspberry, vanilla and subtle herb. A medium bodied palate of lifted berry flavours, subtle spices and terrific drive through supple tannins and fine acidity.