



SHOTTESBROOKE

Heritage Series Muscat 1987

McLaren Vale

HERITAGE
1337
SERIES

BACKGROUND

First planted by founder, Nick Holmes, over 30 years ago, Shottesbrooke is proudly an estate grown and managed boutique winery.

In the year 1337, one of the great knights of England, Sir William de Trussell, commissioned the construction of the Shottesbrooke church. Famous for his indulgent lifestyle, he sought to appease his critics with this generous contribution to the parish. Centuries later, from 1905 to 1926, Nick's grandfather was vicar of this very church. As a toast to this rich heritage, it is this beautiful building from which our winery takes its name.

Winemaking

Nick Holmes crafted this wine way back in 1987. As the story goes, a well known vigneron in McLaren Vale was share farming on an adjoining vineyard. He was an excellent grower, but a better negotiator. Nick was buying his Chardonnay, but the deal was such that if he wanted the white, he needed to take the Muscat as well. They shook hands and the deal was done. Nick fermented and fortified the Muscat, filled some old American oak barriques, made some space at the back of the winery and basically forgot about it for 25 years. Except for the occasional stock take and taste it wasn't touched.

The wine went on to develop into something very special over the years, and now reminds us of old friends and a bygone era.

Tasting Notes

Colour	Deep amber with a slight olive hue.
Nose	Concentrated and complex, featuring toffees, raisins and a slight rancio quality.
Palate	The first sip of this wine provides a rich burst of flavours - caramel, fruit cake and spice - with a warm, lingering finish.
Cellaring	Drink now
Food Match	Pair with a hard, matured goats cheese or simply enjoy on its own

Alcohol : 20%	pH : 2.91	Residual Sugar : 232 g/l
Titrateable Acidity : 6.35 g/l	Free SO² : 10 ppm	Specific Gravity : 0.9941
Volatile Acidity : 1.10 g/l	Total SO² : 91 ppm	Bottling Date : March 2015

Reviews, Awards & Accolades

"A delightful taste of what a quarter of a century maturation can offer, this rarity was crafted in 1987, fortified, stuck in small barrels and virtually forgotten, now rediscovered and expressing glorious concentration of treacle, golden syrup and spicy Christmas Cake flavours. Intense, deep & delicious." 4.5 STARS - Tony Love, The Advertiser Top 100 Wines

"...as far as hedonistic pleasure and interest goes, it's impressive." 90+ Points, Jeremy Pringle, Wine Will Eat Itself

"...characterful. Intensely flavoured. And not hard to tuck into." - Campbell Mattinson, Winefront



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