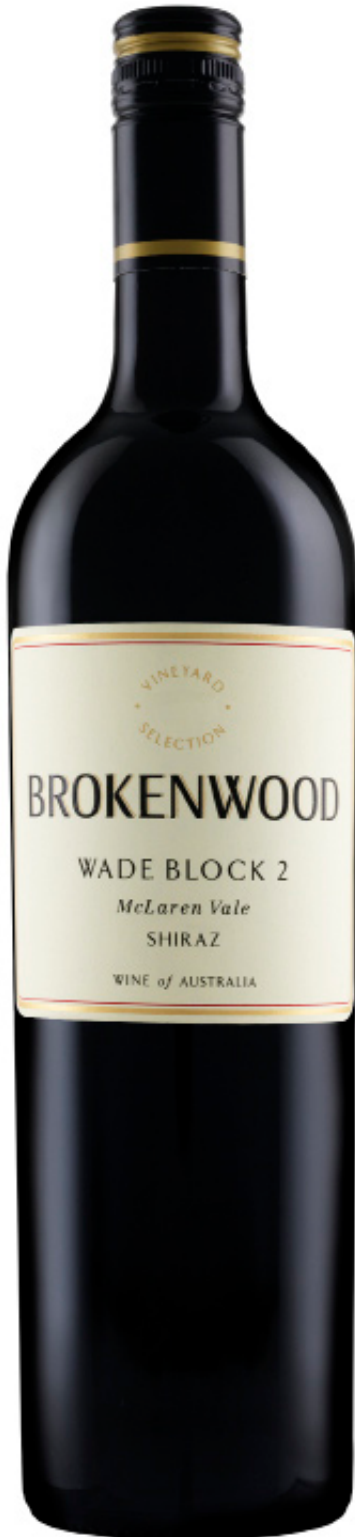


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AUSTRALIAN CRAFT AT ITS FINEST



2005 Brokenwood Wade Block 2 Vineyard Shiraz

Variety: Shiraz (old clone)
Region: McLaren Vale - SA

Winemakers Comments:

The fifth bottling of the Wade Block 2 from McLaren Flat. Grown in deep sand, this is an amazing vineyard in that it is approximately ten years old, but planted with cuttings sourced from a very old local vineyard and own roots. Again, very distinctive and complex, and more than qualifies for the 'Single Vineyard' label.

After a wet winter and an abnormally mild summer created prime ripening conditions, the McLaren Vale 2005 vintage was earlier and shorter than usual. Higher Baumes were recorded but fruit flavour ripeness did lag behind this causing all vineyards in the region to ripen at once.

Vinification:

Machine harvested, crushed and chilled to tanker in McLaren Vale. Vinomatic fermentation in the Hunter. Not overly rotated, as soft tannins are required. Oak maturation 80% American and 20% French. The latter mostly new and 1 year old.

Tasting Notes:

Deep, purple red and very dense, almost 'brooding'. Savoury briar notes along with the expected lush, McLaren Vale blackberry jube fruit. Integrated vanillin oak edge. Seamless palate combining ripe tannins, dark berry/chocolate Shiraz fruit and perfect oak. Some "Turkish Delight" sweet fruit at the start and long from the alcohol/glycerol. An almost spicy after palate. A classic McLaren Vale Shiraz.

Food:
Beef.

Technical Data:

Alcohol	15.0%
pH	3.55
Acidity	6.0 g/L
Residual Sugar	nil
Availability:	750ml
RRP:	A\$45.00

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