



# BLUE EYED BOY

## SHIRAZ



## 2014 Tech Sheet

**Vineyards:** The parcels of wine in the Blue Eyed Boy this year come from our Mollydooker Coppermine Road, Home and Long Gully Road blocks in McLaren Vale with a small parcel coming from Joppich vineyards in Langhorne Creek.

**Viticulture Report:** Almost the perfect vintage. We had heat in January, some rain in February just when we needed it, and perfect ripening weather in March with temperatures in the mid 20s (77F). The openness of the canopies and ventilation in the fruit zone gave us lovely clean fruit. We have almost the same amount of wine as we had in the very successful 2012 vintage.

**Winery Report:** The bulk of our fruit came in in April, possessing great colour and depth, and the Fruit Weights looked impressive from the get go. The reds went through primary and malolactic fermentation and barrel maturation in record time. The resulting 2014 wines are amazing.

**Winemaker Tasting Notes:** Upon smelling this wine, your senses are immediately drawn in by a bouquet of deep blackberry, rich plum and coffee. These prominent fruit flavours are closely followed by luscious chocolate and licorice spice with creamy vanilla constantly weaving its way through. This beautifully balanced wine is a classic representation of our Blue Eyed Boy: truly a vibrant, ripe, and indulgent experience.

### Awards

- 2013 WS 92pts; Winestate 5 stars
- 2012 WA 91+ pts; WS 92 pts
- 2011 WA 91 pts; WS 92 pts; Winestate 4 stars
- 2010 WA 93 pts; WS 91 pts; Winestate 4 stars
- 2009 WA 92 pts; WS 91 pts
- 2007 WA 95 pts; WS 92 pts and Editor's Most Exciting New Wine
- 2006 WA 96 pts; WS 92 pts



**MARQUIS FRUIT WEIGHT**  
*Our guarantee of quality*

**Required: 75% - 80% Actual: 81%**

Marquis Fruit Weight™ is the percentage of your palate (from the tip of your tongue going all the way back) that's covered by the velvety sensation of fruit, before you experience any of the structural components of the wine.

Wine Name: Blue Eyed Boy  
Vintage: 2014  
Country: Australia

Region: McLaren Vale, South Australia

Grape Varietal: Shiraz  
Sustainably Grown  
Picked 1<sup>st</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April

Barrel fermented and matured:  
100% American oak;  
70% new; 30% one year old

Alc/Vol: 16.0%  
Residual sugar: 2.8  
pH: 3.60

RRP: \$49

Label: The Blue Eyed Boy is Sarah and Sparky's son, Luke.