



VARNEY WINES

“The common theme of these wines is brightness and freshness of the varietal fruit expression, coupled with effortless balance and length. He [Alan Varney] is a brilliant winemaker. His ability to draw the varietal heart of each wine he makes is extraordinary” - James Halliday AM, *Wine Companion* 2021



## 2020 VARNEY WINES GSM

### THE VINEYARDS

Propitious site selection is key to this wine’s balance and elegance. Old Bush Vine Grenache vineyards from the McLaren Vale sub-regions of Blewitt Springs, Seaview, and White’s Valley ranging in age from 50 – 70 years old are the anchor for this blend. The Shiraz and Mourvèdre vineyards from Blewitt Springs and Whites Valley come from established old vine plantings.

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### WINEMAKING

Cold soaked for 3-5 days. About 15% whole bunch (Grenache and Mourvèdre), some wild carbonic maceration, some foot treading, 9 to 40 days on skins in headed down open fermenters. Pressed to seasoned Burgundy coopered Hogsheads and Barriques. Matured for 9 months prior to blending and bottling.

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### TECH SPECS

- 55% Grenache, 25% Shiraz, 20% Mourvèdre
- 471 dozen made
- 14.2% Alc/Vol

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### ACCLAIM

95 points – Ned Goodwin, *Halliday Wine Companion*  
92 Points - Stuart Knox, *The Real Review* 2023.