

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER SHIRAZ

McLAREN VALE 2005:

The simple truth; this is our best Shiraz.

It's the Everest we try to climb each vintage to showcase McLaren Vale's icon variety.

It's our Most Valued Player.

MVP's are identified in youth and carefully nurtured. They show early promise and are given intense, individual tuition and the best environment to show their brilliance.

They can be a bit awkward when young and occasionally intemperate but they soon fill out and grow into their skins and learn to control youthful emotions.

Then you see the honed body, slick and graceful movements and the effortless, silken power of a true star.

McLaren Vale Shiraz; Go you good thing!

D. Wright (vines) & F. Howard (wines)

THE WINE:

A style shaped for fruit concentration more so varietal elegance.

This 2005 pedigree brew is remarkably bound like a tight purple cabbage so wants and needs a fair splash of air for at least an hour or two. Aromatic dominance of spiced figs, pepper corns and cut cedar. The palate starts with a vibrant burst of dark berry fruits up front through a spiced Christmas cake middle to baked plums on the finish. Residual flavour length is truly remarkable.

THE VINES:

DV7 (or Digs Vineyard Block 7) was established in 1941 and produces intense true varietal characteristics which carry through into this superb wine. Maturation in 100% water bent French oak for nearly 3 years. Viticulturist Dan Wright applies traditional and his state-of-the-art practices that consistently create fabulous foundation flavours that are ideal for this modern wine style.

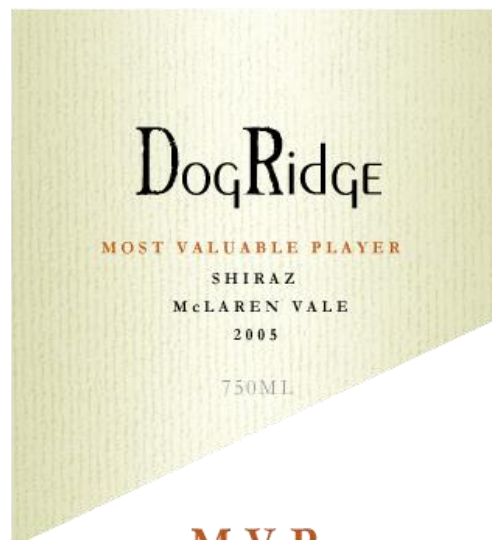
THE ANALYSIS:

Alcohol Strength:	14.0 percent by volume
Residual Sugars:	0.4 grams per litre (Dry)
Titrateable Acid:	6.7 grams per litre
Acidity Measure:	pH = 3.5
Total Bound SO ₂ :	102 milligrams per litre

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