



# Kay Brothers Basket Pressed Shiraz

## “Highlights”

2022

- 91+ – WINE ADVOCATE, *September 2024*

“...Both of these things—the Grenache and the American oak—add a gentle sway of sweetness or plumpness to the palate. The wine leads with dark fruit—cherries, dark chocolate, star anise, coconut shavings—and spice, the oak playing a role aromatically. In the mouth, the fruit stands tall on the middle palate, while it closes with an oak-framed finish. I perceived this on the 2021 as well, however the plump, fresh nature of the 2022 fruit helps it along here...”

2021

- 90 – WINE ADVOCATE, *September 2024*

“The 2021 Basket Pressed Shiraz leads with blackcurrant pastille, raspberry jam, licorice and dark charry oak. In the mouth, the wine is all about the exotic fruit, which is shaped through the finish by a combination of French, American and Eastern European oak. This is enveloping, voluminous and weighty, my only quibble would be with the finish, where I feel the oak pinches the fruit. Otherwise, the highlight is that it is a poster-child for McLaren Vale Shiraz: intense, voluptuous and silky....”

2020

- 92 – WINE ADVOCATE, *September 15, 2022*

“This 2020 Basket Pressed Shiraz shows the concentration and vitality that the warm 2020 brought with it. Despite all the plump, voluminous fruit generosity, this is possessed of a savory line of tannin through the palate, stitched together by briny acidity. Solid and good.”

- 90 – JAMES SUCKLING, *August 10, 2022*

“Dark plums, minty blackberries and roasted thyme on the nose. Slightly overripe blue-fruit character. Medium-bodied with plush tannins. Spicy, with a fine-grained texture and a saline finish. Drink now.”

- 90 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *December 2023 Issue*

“A traditional-style McLaren Shiraz from one of the region's most historic producers, this comprises ripe, almost raisiny, plum and dark berry fruit, a chocolaty, toasty oak component and secondary characters like mint and licorice...”

2019

- 92 – JAMES HALLIDAY – THE AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION, *August 13, 2021*

“...Full bodied and firmly of post code, with a well-judged oaky band across the finish tucking in scents of purple florals, blue/boysenberry, anise, pepper, clove and nori. An unpretentious, honest wine offering richness without exaggeration; poise and freshness without any obtuse shins or elbows.”

- 92 – WINE ADVOCATE, *August 31, 2021*

“...the 2019 Basket Pressed Shiraz is a solid effort, offering up hints of dark chocolate, mint, plums and blackberries, followed by licorice and black olives on the finish. Medium to full-bodied, it's concentrated yet also a bit open-knit in feel – likely to be a wine to enjoy on the young side, say over the next 5-7 years.”