



Kay Brothers Hillside Shiraz

“Highlights”

2020

- 94 – TASTING PANEL, *April 2024*

"From Block 6 and Block 11 on the Amery Vineyards steeper slopes, this earthy red is aged 18 months in French and American oak. Big, spiced, and muscle-bound, with teeth-grabbing dark chocolate-covered tannins. Coffee bean and toasted oak bristle with black pepper, Italian herbs, black olive, and soy sauce."

- 93, Cellar Selection – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *June 17, 2024*

2019

- 93+ – WINE ADVOCATE, *September 15, 2022*

"2019 was a warm year in South Australia, and the reds produced in this season are across the board concentrated, compacted and dense. This applies to this 2019 Hillside Shiraz: the oak encases the fruit at this stage, and the wine has a distinct charry/resinous/midnight countenance. Everything about it feels built for the long haul, and usually I would encourage people to drink wine whenever they saw fit, but I really believe this will be better in even two years from now."

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

"Plenty of dark plums, cherries, blackberries, baking spices and smoke. It's medium-to full-bodied with fine tannins and lots of saline blackberries. Concentrated and velvety with a long, spicy finish. Just be aware of the salinity here. Drink now."

2018

- 94 - WINE ADVOCATE, *August 31, 2021*

"I think if I had to pick one Shiraz to epitomize McLaren Vale, the 2018 Hillside Shiraz would be a strong contender...it's a classic offering up a complex, concentrated array of mixed berries and leavening those with herbal intricacies and savory undercurrents of black olives and cedary oak. Medium to full-bodied it's ripe and velvety on the palate and long and mouthwatering on the finish."

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

"This is older-school traditional McLaren Vale red. Unashamed in its brood of mottled dark-fruit aspersions, licorice back strap, coffee grind, chocolate, fig and dried herbal notes strewn about the powerful palate. A lashing of vanilla/bourbon American oak punctuates the bolshy finish..."

- 91 - WINE ENTHUSIAST, *April 2022 Issue*

"This red offers a brambly berry aroma alongside vanilla, chocolate, white pepper and iodine accents. Earthy beet root and oak notes are at the back. The tannins are hefty and a little drying but the fruit and spice still hold their own."

- 90 - JAMES SUCKLING, *November 1, 2022*

"Aromas of crushed plums, grilled herbs and pitted black cherries. Full-bodied with powdery tannins. Rich fruit with a hint of woody spice following through to the straightforward finish. Drink now. Screw cap."