# HUGH HAMILTON

HUGH HAMILTON IS THE 5TH GENERATION OF A LARGE WINE DYNASTY AND IS REGARDED AS THE BLACK SHEEP OF THE FAMILY.

HIS DAUGHTER AND 6TH
GENERATION OF THE FAMILY,
MARY, CONTINUES THE LEGACY,
MAKING US AUSTRALIA'S OLDEST
WINE FAMILY.

THE BLACK SHEEP EXPERIENCE IS EXTRAORDINARY. HUGH IS THE MASTER OF A MOST REPROBATE RANGE OF VARIETIES FROM THE CLASSICS TO THE MORE ECLECTIC. WHEN IT COMES TO TASTING OUR WINES, YOU CAN EXPECT TO ENJOY THE DIFFERENCE.



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ODDBALL THE GREAT

#### **STORY**

Saperavi is thought to be the world's oldest winemaking grape variety, and its homeland of Georgia in Eastern Europe is the country with the longest history of winemaking; more than 8000 years. Older than the pyramids, older even than the invention of the wheel. In fact, humans were making wine while the last of the woolly mammoths were still walking the earth! We like to think that with each glass of Saperavi you are tasting pre-history.

#### **WINEMAKER'S NOTES**

There's a bravery in embracing big and this is a wine where everything towers tall. The darkest fraction of a wine leaves the winepress last – loaded with enormous amounts of all of the characters that make a wine great – and we took only of this fraction and aged it in 100% new oak barrels. A lesser wine would be flooded by that much barrel; only the great can take it.

## **BOUQUET AND PALATE**

Raspberry and blackberry bloom in the shadow of an old oak. Ripening in the light let through by the great boughs. Notes too of the forest floor; damp earth and oyster mushrooms. With time to think the glass emits lighter spicier aromatics; fennel fronds, cumin, cardamon, pomegranate molasses, and earthy field beets. There's an elegance to the muscularity of the palate, poise too to the punch. The wash of fruit boxed by fine lines of firm tannin. Time will work magic on this wine if patience will allow it.

2020

#### VARIETAL

Saperavi

#### **COLOUR**

Coal Black, purple seams

#### **DRINK**

Leave it longer than you think you should, maybe longer than you think you can - 5-15 years

# **FOOD MATCH**

This is not a wine built for fish or fine white sauces, lift your game with game, foraged mushrooms and butter; lots of butter.

# **HARVEST DATE**

16th March 2020, 18th March 2020

### **BOTTLING DATE**

5th November 2021



MCLAREN VALE

ANALYSIS: TA: 6.0 G/L | PH: 3.69 | ALC: 15.0% | RS: <2.0 G/L VEGAN FRIENDLY