HUGH HAMILTON

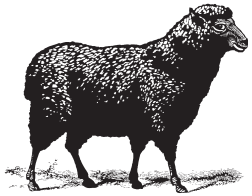
BLACK OPS

2025

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.



STORY

My hunch was that the most ancient grape on the planet, Saperavi, would make for a unique union with McLaren Vale's prized Shiraz. The elixir was covertly blended and like other 'black operations' a Pandora's box of flavour was opened.
A wine for FBI, CIA and civilians. Seek & embrace the unusual. 'Black Ops' Shiraz Saperavi is the only blend of this type in the world and it will not disappoint!

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

At the Western end of our Black Sheep Block is a pocket of Shiraz that lands a mighty punch of meaty-spiciness that couples perfectly with our exotic Saperavi. Contrasting, but complementary and complex, this has fast become the backbone of the Black Ops Blend.

BOUQUET AND PALATE

A plush plume of plums and pink ladies. Raspberries, blackberries and blueberries underneath. Savoury elements provide counterpoint; broth and soy notes linger. Fennel, star anise and axle grease. Dark cocoa and cigarbox – sweet tobacco too. Cherry pips and raspberry seeds. Driven by dimension, and backed with a tannin line that teases strict discipline, yet delivers only a firm hand.

VARIETAL

72% Shiraz, 28% Saperavi

COLOUR

Vivid Purple-black

DRINK

Now through 10 years

FOOD MATCH

Team it up with a classic Reuben Sandwich; perhaps swap out the corned beef for smoky beetroot to match the mix.



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MCLAREN VALE

ANALYSIS: **ALC:** 14.5% **| TA:** 6.4 **| PH:** 3.44 **| RS:** <1.0g/L **| VEGAN FRIENDLY**