



# S.C. PANNELL

McLaren Vale - Australia



## Background

Stephen Pannell is known for being one of Australia's greatest champions of climate-appropriate varieties. Wine has always been in his DNA; his parents founded Moss Wood in Margaret River and later took over Domaine Pousse d'Or in Volnay. After working at renowned European wineries, including Italy's Aldo Vajra in Barolo and France's Chateau Mouton Rothschild, Stephen gained prominence as head winemaker at Hardy's, earning a Jimmy Watson trophy in his first year with the Tintara line. In 2004, he launched his own venture, focusing on expressing McLaren Vale's terroir through varieties best suited to this Mediterranean climate, including Grenache, Touriga Naçional, Tempranillo, and Tinta Cão. He sources fruit from low-yielding, often biodynamically and dry-farmed vines, and his methods include open fermenters, natural yeasts, and limited new oak. Today, S.C. Pannell has become more than a McLaren Vale benchmark – it is synonymous with the very best of Australian winemaking.

## Highlights

- 1** S.C. Pannell is based in McLaren Vale and is made by Stephen Pannell, one of Australia's most lauded winemakers.
- 2** Stephen is known for being a champion of climate-appropriate varieties like Grenache, Tempranillo, and Touriga Naçional.
- 3** The S.C. Pannell ethos is to use fruit from low-yielding, often biodynamically and dry-farmed vines, natural yeasts, limited new oak, and no fining or filtering.

## Wines

### The Varietal Range SRP \$27-28

'Basso' Grenache, 'Field Street' Shiraz, & 'Dead End' Tempranillo focus on freshness & fun packaging.

### The Climate-Appropriate Blend SRP \$32

This is a poised Tempranillo-Touriga blend.

### The Siltstone Range SRP \$40-45

'The Vale' Red Blend & Aglianico show McLaren Vale's signature siltstone soil fragrance.

### The 'Rare in Site' Grenache Range SRP \$64

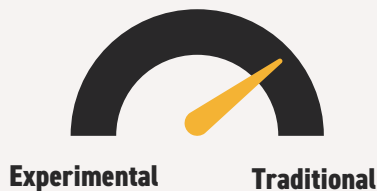
'Old McDonald' & 'Smart' are single-vineyard Grenaches that are among Australia's best.



## Ethos



## Packaging



## Press



While many would agree with Pannell's ideas about making wines that are suitable for and reflect our climate, his comprehensive and classy portfolio of wines illustrates this thinking more clearly than any other we have seen in Australia.

- Peter Forrestal, wine critic & writer