



# wine of the year

## S.C. Pannell Shiraz Grenache 2005

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Since stepping out to establish his eponymous S.C. Pannell label and consulting business a couple of years back, winemaker Steve Pannell has really hit his straps. With plenty of time invested in McLaren Vale, this soulful shiraz grenache blend is his masterstroke and what a stunning wine it is. Understated on the nose, it's complex, reserved and integrated. The palate is meticulously crafted, tannins move in three dimensions, perfectly placed and impeccably balanced, a ringing endorsement of the virtues of blending. A benchmark for the region and a fine example of just how outstanding and unique South Australian wine can be. Truly world class.

