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## Brothers Blend GSM McLaren Vale 2024

### BACKGROUND

The Brothers Blend GSM stands as a testament to the challenges of working with family and the compromises made for the greater good. Grenache, Shiraz, and Mataro are three contrasting grape varieties: Grenache offers a floral, perfumed, and light character; Shiraz provides dark fruit, fleshy, and bold flavors; while Mataro brings an earthy, spicy, and mellow essence. Just like brothers, with their contrasting characters, opinions, and skill sets, these three grape varieties with their own strengths come together to achieve something very special.

### WINEMAKING

Each grape variety in this wine is handled individually to bring out its best. The 70 and 100 year old Grenache vines are picked with freshness and aromatic lift in mind, with a small portion hand-picked for whole bunch inclusion in select ferments. This adds extra complexity and a subtle confectionary edge to the finished wine. Shiraz is picked riper and richer, contributing depth and smooth, generous tannins. It's then matured in 2–3 year old American oak hogsheads, where chocolate-like secondary characters gently develop without overwhelming the fruit. Mataro rounds out the blend, adding a subtle earthy, savoury layer and balance. The blend composition is 72% grenache, 18% shiraz and 10% Mataro.

### TASTING NOTES

With over 70% Grenache, this wine showcases lighter colour, glowing with a brilliant electric crimson hue. The nose bursts with vibrant red fruit, hints of confectionery sweetness, and an alluring floral perfume. On the palate, it's plush and soft, led by Grenache's bright fruit, while layers of Mataro add a subtle spice. Shiraz rounds out the mid and back palate, delivering richness, chocolate-like complexity, and smooth, lingering tannins on the finish.

### FROM THE WINEMAKER

'The 2024 vintage delivered some of the most aromatic Grenache we've seen, with a distinctive menthol-like perfume that lifts the wine and adds real intensity. Blending this with rich, smooth Shiraz and a touch of spicy Mataro has created a balanced, expressive wine that comes together nicely. It's a blend with plenty of character, but most importantly, one that's very easy to drink. Enjoy.'

- Peter Collett



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