

# SONGLINES ESTATES

## LEYLINES

### 2010 McLAREN VALE SHIRAZ

- Alc/Vol:** 14.0%
- Colour:** Deep dark black with red edges.
- Bouquet:** Vibrant and youthful but very approachable with an attractive nose showing red fruits, with aromas of flowers, fresh red berries of raspberry and mulberry and soft plums.
- Palate:** Cloves and vanilla on the entry palate, the fleshy middle and end palate gives more succulent mulberry and sweet red fruits with dusty tannins.
- Winemaking:** Leylines is made with the same meticulous care and attention as Songlines and Bylines but with a smaller price tag. The grapes come from vineyard blocks not far from those that go into Songlines and Bylines and the fruit has been specifically hand chosen for its approachability as a young wine. 2010 saw the selection of some older material as part of the blend to add some more complex character and add longevity. The winemaking uses warmer ferments in traditional open fermenters with hand "piage" 4 times each day to soften the palate, and the use of older barrels to impart less oak dominance. The wine is matured for 12 months in second and some third use French barrels to provide softer rounder oak character.
- Cellaring:** This style has softer tannins suggesting cellaring for the medium term and earlier drinking in mind. Balanced and fully approachable on release it will hold for 4-6 years.

