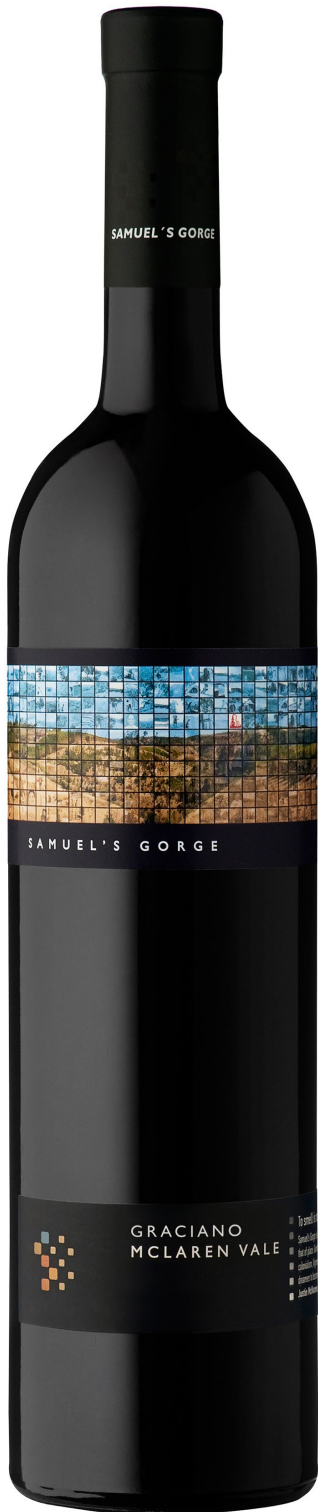




SAMUEL'S GORGE
MCLAREN VALE AUSTRALIA



2018 GRACIANO

What started out as an interest in this wild and rugged Spanish variety has now evolved into a full-blown obsession. Graciano is prized for its acidity, structure and intense aromatics; all of which are on full display in this latest release.

Graciano is as at home here in McLaren Vale as it is in its native soils of Rioja; thriving in our arid landscape, and in the weather worn hands of learned flavour makers.

Heady aromas of violets, blackberry and black cherry are underpinned by subtle earthiness. The first sip elicits flavours of ripe juicy dark fruits and gentle spice. The second gives rise to flavours of mulberry, pomegranate molasses and white pepper. The harmonious balance between the sparkling acid, tannin and intensity of flavour give an indication of its long aging potential.

Enjoy this wine as we did; in good company, with a wholesome Basque seafood and chorizo stew.

Time in tomb: 10+

TECHNICAL

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.6

TA: 5.5

10% Carbonic maceration

12 months in seasoned French oak

Bottled July 2019

Justin McNamee
Winemaker