

VINE DRIED CABERNET 2017 MCLAREN VALE

THE YEAR THAT: Nicky celebrated 10 years with us and

got a winery pig!

HISTORY

With 300 acres of premium grapevines on the Taranga property, the Oliver family has over 50 blocks representing different grape varieties, clones, soil types & vine ages. Each vintage, different varieties & blocks will show their strength and from this has been born the 'SMALL BATCH' range. These wines have been handcrafted to speak of both the variety and the vintage in which they have been produced.

AROMA

Aniseed spice, stewed cherries, sweet prunes and smoky background.

PALATE

Rich and mouthfilling sweet fruited burst with divine soft but structural tannins on the palate. The aniseed character continues through the wine. All the Christmas pudding memories flood back, along with prunes and brandy warmth.

Very moreish and loads of life in it for those who like to age their wines. Not for the faint-hearted!

WINE & VINTAGE

We finally heard all your calls for more Vine Dried Cabernet! Only made in 2006, 2013 and now 2017- it was time for us to have a bit of a play with some spectacular Cabernet from our vineyard. Inspired by the 'Amarone' method that has been used for centuries in Italy. A portion of the vineyard was handpicked and then dried in the air racks for 12 days. After the berries have concentrated and dehydrated, straight into the fermenter they go. Then fresh picked grapes are crushed on top, and the fermentation continues as normal. This means that the resultant wine is very concentrated and higher alcohol than usual. Inspired by the 'Amarone' method that has been used for centuries in Italy. A portion of the vineyard was handpicked and then dried in the air racks for 12 days. After the berries have concentrated and dehydrated, straight into the fermenter they go. Then fresh picked grapes are crushed on top, and the fermentation continues as normal. This means that the resultant wine is very concentrated and higher alcohol than usual.

WINEMAKER

Corrina Wright, 6th Generation

SMALL BATCH PRODUCTION
1832 bottles

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

REGION 100% McLaren Vale

COLOUR Deep Red

ALCOHOL 15.5%



WHAT THE WRITERS HAVE TO SAY [2014 VINTAGE]

An extra layer of perfume and flavour (partially courtesy of oak) adds an extra layer of appeal. This is a very good release. It tastes essentially of cherries and chocolate with spice, cola and leather notes filling it out. Real sense of exuberance here.

Rating 93 | Drink by: 2020

James Halliday, 2016 Wine Companion



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