

MENCÍA

2018 McLAREN VALE

THE YEAR THAT: Don took Miah for driving lessons around the vineyard.

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.

PALATE

Like drinking flowers, the Mencia has such a delicious palate. Bright, fresh and zesty – this red has limited oak impact and is all about the fruit. Chewy berry flavours abound.

AROMA

Plenty of violet florals, cherry syrup and jubey blackberry concentrate.

WINE & VINTAGE

Never tasted Mencia before? May as well start now! A new variety to Australia from its home in Spain, it's packed with flavour. Made in the 'joven' style – meaning that it has limited oak and is fresh and slurpy and ready to drink.

Whip up some Paella and settle in for a long lunch (and a lifelong love affair) with this Spanish beauty.

THE YEAR THAT.....

Seventh generation Miah had to begin the right of passage that all family members have to go through.... learning to drive with Don. In parts calm, in parts yelling- it is quite an adventure- but none of us have had any serious accidents as yet (touch wood!)

WINEMAKER

Corrina Wright, 6th Generation

SMALL BATCH PRODUCTION

1733 bottles

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Mencia

(pron. MEN-THEE-A)

REGION

100% McLaren Vale

COLOUR

Bright purple red

ALCOHOL

13.0%



WHAT THE WRITERS HAVE TO SAY [2018 VINTAGE]

'There's little of the Spanish variety Mencia around in Oz and this is a beauty. It certainly has some Barry White factor, that is, I can't get enough! Pour large and don't share are my tips for success.

It's such an easy slurp. Littered with baked blueberries and fresh blue fruits, rubs of earth and fine spices. Delicate violet-like aromas lob up with time in the glass. I keep going back to the vitality which it exudes. Soft lingering spices whip up the tail to create another state of want. But in the end, cut loose - it's hard not too.

Qwine - 93/100



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