



CHAPEL HILL
McLAREN VALE



hand harvested
open fermented with gentle plunging
basket pressed | minimal additions | clarified naturally

BUSH VINE GRENACHE 2016

The Winery

Chapel Hill Winery was built on the site of the historic Seaview Chapel. The Chapel was built in 1865 and now serves as our tasting room. The first vines were planted at Chapel Hill in 1972 and the first vintage was in 1975.

Under the guidance of Michael Fragos and Bryn Richards, Chapel Hill strives to hand craft wines with purity and balance. All of the grapes and wines are handled gently in small batches to ensure that the wonderful site and varietal characters are nurtured and respected.

The Vintage

The 2015/16 growing season had below average rainfall, with late winter and spring being particularly dry. Mean average temperatures were consistently above average from October to February. A timely rainfall event in early February resulted refreshed the vines and slowed sugar accumulation as they entered the final stages of ripening resulting in vibrant varietal fruit flavours.

The Wine

The unsung hero of McLaren Vale, the history and tradition of our region can be enjoyed with a glass of this wine that is crafted from old bush vine Grenache.

These old, low yielding vines result in small berries, thick skins and open bunches which deliver bright fruit flavours and an invigorating rustic savoury texture.

Wine Specifications

Variety: 100% Grenache
Appellation: 100% McLaren Vale
Harvest dates: 4th March 2016
Ripeness at harvest: 14.3° Baume
Vineyard: Munzberg Vineyard, McLaren Flat
Geology: Alluvial Valley of Clays
Vines planted: 1952
Oak ageing: 100% French Oak
100% 2–5 year old Puncheons (500L)
14 months
pH: 3.61
Acidity: 5.9 g/L
Alcohol: 14.5 % v/v
Residual sugar: 1.9 g/L
Bottling date: May 2017
Release date: 1st August 2017
Closure: Screw cap
Winemakers: Michael Fragos & Bryn Richards
Viticulturist: Rachel Steer

Suitable for vegetarians and vegans

Reviews and accolades

Gold Medal – Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2017
Gold Medal – Royal Melbourne Wine Awards 2017
97 points – James Halliday + inclusion in Halliday
Top 100 Wines of 2017

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