

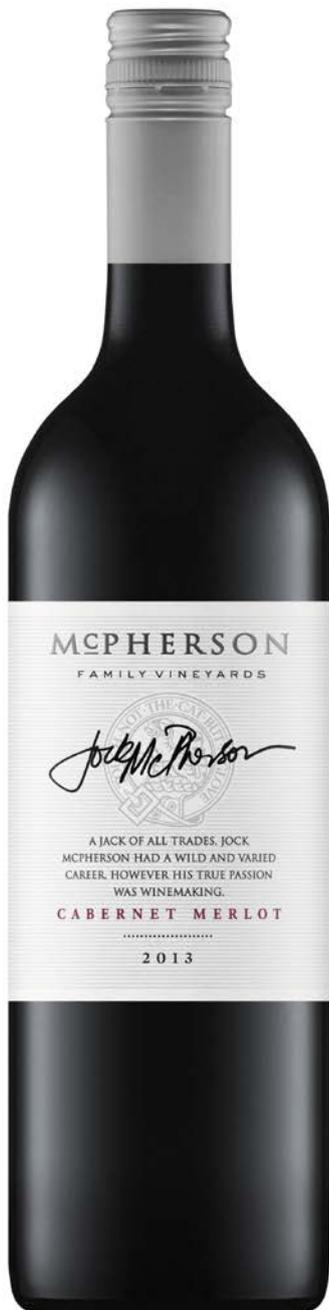
McPherson WINE Co.

EST. 1968

2013 MCPHERSON CABERNET MERLOT

Andrew and Nicki McPherson established a small vineyard in country Australia in 1968.

With their family's help they built one of Australia's leading wineries and are widely recognised as pioneers of the Australian Wine Industry. Today, McPherson Wines are being enjoyed in twenty six countries across the globe and are one of Australia's largest family owned wineries. The wines are celebrated for their beautifully crafted, fruit driven, Australian style.



A jack of all trades, Jock McPherson had a wild and varied career as a writer, soldier, fisherman, publisher and PR man. His passion however, was winemaking. He planted his first vineyard in 1968, eventually passing it on to his only son Andrew who works in the company to this day.

VINTAGE INFORMATION

Region	South East Australia
Varietal	65% Cabernet, 35% Merlot
Alcohol	14%
Best Consumed	2013 - 2016

WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

The grapes for this Cabernet Merlot were picked and crushed during the cool of night, thus ensuring the retention of varietal character. Modern winemaking techniques were employed throughout, all of which help to create the signature McPherson style. Fermentation took place in sweeping arm red fermenters, giving the wine a denser, richer colour and allowing for gentle flavour extraction. Softer tannins are also a result of this process, an important feature of the McPherson Cabernet Merlot style. Oak for this wine was predominately French oak and this wine was aged on oak for approximately 6 months, giving the wine a noticeable, but not excessive oak influence.

HARVEST NOTES

The summer of 2012 / 2013 was hot and dry – the hot weather ripening grapes out of the 2013 vintage early and the dry spell allowing the sugars to develop fully. The vintage ended with a bang with great flavour ripeness being achieved with perfect timing. 2013 will go down as a cracking year, with excellent overall quality and magnificent, vibrant colour in the reds.

WINE DESCRIPTION

Jock's Cabernet Merlot is much like the man – smooth, no nonsense, elegant and will fit right in at any occasion. This classic Cabernet Merlot exhibits rich, ripe berries and a mint bouquet, with a full flavoured, fleshy, fruit laden palate.

FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

A classic partner for grilled rib eye served with a pepper sauce. McPherson Cabernet Merlot also pairs well with rich tomato based pasta dishes.