



# 2016 MCPHERSON VERDELHO

*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.*

## Winemaker: Jo Nash



***Rather like her grandfather Jock, Alexandra McPherson has never pursued an ordinary life. She is adventurous, brave and always surprising. Her thirst for excitement has led her down many different paths; she has travelled the world and has friends in every corner of the globe.***

Region	South Eastern Australia
Varietal	100% Verdelho
Alcohol	14%
Best Consumed	2017 - 2020

### JO'S WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

This wine was made from Verdelho grapes, sourced primarily from our Sinclair Vineyards within the Goulburn Valley, Central Victoria. Grapes were picked and crushed during the cool of night so as to retain their fresh, varietal flavours. The juice was fermented cool to allow the tropical esters and aromas to dominate, with the palate remaining fresh and clean. The resulting wine is fresh, fruity and easy to drink, the only problem being you will need a second glass!

### JO'S HARVEST NOTES

The best way to describe vintage 2016 is fast & furious! There was no orderly ripening of fruit, no luxury of white fruit followed by red fruit, it was like the flood gates opened and everything just rolled in at once. Again we had little rain and a very hot spring leading up to harvest, which meant things ripened faster than normal. Optimum flavours and ripeness came on more quickly than previous years and the only way around it was to pick as fast as we could. Thankfully we worked our way through it, and the resulting quality is excellent.

### JO'S WINE DESCRIPTION

The wine is medium straw in colour with green tinges, suggesting freshness and youth but also richness of flavour. On the nose are aromas of pineapple, paw paw and passionfruit – a vertiable fruit salad. The palate is equally reminiscent of a range of tropical fruits with a zesty, sherbet-like acidity and a clean citrus finish. Unoaked, the wine is crisp and refreshing.

### JO'S FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

Great on its own or as an aperitif, this wine is also an excellent match with a wide range of foods including char-grilled seafood and vegetarian dishes.