



MWC
MCPHERSON WINE CO.
EST. 1968

2016 SHIRAZ MOURVEDRE

*Released for the first time in 2014, the **MWC** wines are made with food in mind. Soft, savoury, earthy styles with a European influence, they are a rustic style full of interesting, complex characters made for those who love great, honest wines.*

Winemaker: Jo Nash



Silver Medal Victorian Wine Show 2017

Bronze Medal Royal Melbourne Wine Awards 2017

Bronze Medal Royal Hobart Wine Show 2017

Bronze Medal Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2017

5 STARS Equal Top In Category Central & Western Victorian Wine Show
Results Winestate Magazine, March / April 2018

VINTAGE INFORMATION

Region	Central Victoria
Varietal	95% Shiraz, 5% Mourvedre
Alcohol	14.5%
Best Consumed	2018 – 2028

JO'S WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

Fruit for the McPherson Wine Co. Shiraz Mourvedre was harvested from select vineyard sites within Central Victoria. The must was fermented in static red fermenters and pumped over every eight hours for the ferment's duration. Once the ferment was dry, the resulting wine was pressed off the skins and allowed to settle before allowing a natural secondary fermentation to commence. Separate parcels of the wine were aged on French oak staves for 8 months, after which the final blending of select parcels took place. The resulting wine is ripe, complex and wonderfully rich and brooding. This is in part due to the distinct Shiraz parcels, but also as a result of the Mourvedre which imparts a fruit driven yet earthy character to the wine.

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

I love making (and drinking) this wine! Rich, earthy with elegant and supple tannins; this Rhone inspired wine is a lovely blend of cool-climate spicy Shiraz combined with mild climate full-bodied Shiraz finely tempered by the savoury tannins of Mourvedre. This is a bold, modern Australian wine exhibiting aromas and flavours of blackberry and spice. The rich and full palate is complemented by hints of French oak leading to a seamless finish. Great to drink young, however time will reward those with patience...

JO'S FOOD MATCHES

This Shiraz Mourvedre is perfectly paired with char grilled steak, rich red meat dishes or mushroom risotto. Its wide appeal makes it the perfect dinner party wine!