

MCPHERSON WINES

McPherson Family Vineyards Jock McPherson 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Winemaker: Jo Nash

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 Eastern Australia
Varietal	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol	14.0%
Best Consumed	2020 - 2025



JO'S WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE NOTES

The grapes for this Cabernet were picked and crushed during the cool of night, thus ensuring the retention of varietal character, while modern winemaking techniques were employed throughout, all of which help to create the signature McPherson Cabernet 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, while careful attention was paid to the oak selection for the Cabernet. This wine was aged on French oak for approximately 8 months, giving the wine a noticeable, but not an excessive, oak influence. The inclusion of some central Victorian fruit into the blend has boosted both the colour and the intensity of flavour.

JO'S HARVEST NOTES

Another season by the joys and challenges that Mother Nature continually throws our way! 2018 is a very good year for quality, the season was warm and dry and we were kept on our toes as once we started picking everything ripened up pretty quickly. Intense flavours came in late this year and we held off picking to allow maximum flavour. The whites are all fruit forward, with lovely fresh acidity whilst the reds have excellent colour and flavour to match. This vintage is a beauty and subsequently we have made some cracking wines in 2018.

JO'S WINE DESCRIPTION

Jock's Cabernet is much like the man – smooth, no nonsense, elegant and will fit in at any occasion. It exhibits a rich, ripe berry and mint bouquet and displays a full flavoured, fleshy, fruit laden palate.

JO'S FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

Try this wine with a hearty barbecued steak, or a rich, spicy tomato based pasta dish such as Spaghetti Bolognese or Lasagne.

