

# McPHERSON WINES

## McPherson Family Vineyards Andrew McPherson 2018 Shiraz Winemaker: Jo Nash

A colourful character, Andrew McPherson has spent his working life making wine and has made an incredible contribution to the Australian Wine Industry. Andrew loves a great Shiraz and a great Sunday lunch, combining the two with family and friends on most weekends.

**GOLD MEDAL** Royal Hobart Wine Show 2019

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### VINTAGE INFORMATION

Region	South Eastern Australia
Varietal	100% Shiraz
Alcohol	14.0%
Best Consumed	2020 - 2030



### JO'S WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE NOTES

The grapes for this Shiraz 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 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 Shiraz style. Careful attention was also paid to the oak selection for the Shiraz. 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

Andrew's Shiraz is a deep purple, with delicious ripe blackberries, plums and a hint of spice. This is a medium bodied, modern Australian wine with a rich and full palate, impressive length and a great finish.

### JO'S FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

Try this wine with Char-grilled steak or a rich, spicy tomato based pasta dish such as Spaghetti Bolognese or Lasagne – a perfect match!

