



**CHAPEL HILL**  
McLAREN VALE



open fermented with gentle plunging  
basket pressed | minimal additions | clarified naturally

# BUSH VINE GRENACHE 2017

## The Winery

Chapel Hill Winery was built on the site of the historic Seaview Chapel. The Chapel was built in 1865 and now serves as our tasting room. The first vines were planted at Chapel Hill in 1972 and the first vintage was in 1975.

Under the guidance of Michael Fragos and Bryn Richards, Chapel Hill strives to hand craft wines with purity and balance. All of the grapes and wines are handled gently in small batches to ensure that the wonderful site and varietal characters are nurtured and respected.

## The Vintage

Above average winter rainfall was followed by a cold, wet and windy spring. A dry, and relatively warm, February to mid-April allowed for even ripening and optimal development of flavour. The resultant wines are vibrant and fresh with great natural acidity

## The Wine

The unsung hero of McLaren Vale, the history and tradition of our region can be enjoyed with a glass of this wine that is crafted from old bush vine Grenache.

These old, low yielding vines result in small berries, thick skins and open bunches which deliver bright fruit flavours and an invigorating rustic savoury texture.

## Wine Specifications

Variety: 100% Grenache  
Appellation: 100% McLaren Vale  
Harvest dates: 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
Vineyard: Munzberg Vineyard, McLaren Flat  
Geology: Alluvial Valley of Clays  
Vines planted: 1952  
Oak ageing: 100% French Oak  
100% 2-5 year old Puncheons (500L)  
12 months  
pH: 3.63  
Acidity: 5.4 g/L  
Alcohol: 14.5 % v/v  
Residual sugar: 1.9 g/L  
Bottling date: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
Release date: 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018  
Closure: Screw cap  
Winemakers: Michael Fragos & Bryn Richards  
Viticulturist: Rachel Steer

*Suitable for vegetarians and vegans*

## Reviews

96 pts – Rob Geddes MW  
"Attractive flashes of toast and red cherry up front... The wine has a quiet energy on the palate, juicy red fruit is woven in with fine supple tannin, and the wine has length, balance and persistence. Very good winemaking and very good value!"

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