



CHAPEL HILL
McLAREN VALE



Hand Harvested
Open fermented with gentle plunging
Basket pressed
Minimal additions
Clarified naturally

BUSH VINE GRENACHE 2019

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.

“At Chapel Hill there exists a deep respect for our land and vines, this inspires our vision to handcraft wines with purity and balance. All of the grapes and wines are handled gently, in small batches to showcase the wonderful site and varietal characters of McLaren Vale.”

Winemakers: Michael Fragos and Bryn Richards

The Vintage

Heavy winter rains filled the soil profile and set the vines up well for the season. Ideal growing conditions through spring encouraged a healthy, balanced canopy.

A comparatively cool and dry February and March allowed the vines to ripen at a steady pace, developing beautifully supple tannins at moderate sugar levels whilst retaining bright fruit flavours.

Viticulturist: Rachel Steer

The Wine

The stoic hero of McLaren Vale, the history and tradition of our wonderful 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
Vineyard:	Munzberg Vineyard, McLaren Flat
Geology:	Alluvial Valley of Clays
Vines planted:	1952
Harvest date:	14 th March 2019
Vineyard:	Corletto Vineyard, Blewitt Springs
Geology:	Unconsolidated Sand Dunes
Vines planted:	1948
Harvest date:	19 th March 2019
Oak ageing:	64% 1-5-year-old Puncheons (500L) French oak 9 months
pH:	3.48
Acidity:	5.3 g/L
Alcohol:	14.5 % v/v
Bottling date:	20 th January 2020
Release date:	1 st March 2020
Closure:	Screw cap

Clarified naturally without the use of fining or filtration

Suitable for vegetarians and vegans

Reviews

90 pts - James Suckling
95 pts - Andrew Caillard, MW
93 pts - WBM - Tyson Stelzer
Bronze - Decanter World Wine Awards
Gold – HKIWSC 2020
93 pts - Wine Enthusiast (US)

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