

FAMILY CREST

2017 Cabernet Sauvignon

McLAREN VALE

VINEYARD

Source from vineyards at opposite ends of McLaren Vale. Our vineyard in Blewitt Springs in the north of the region is planted in sandy soils and gives elegance and length. 22 kilometers to the south on the loam and slate encrusted Sellick Hill overlooking Gulf St Vincent sits our second Cabernet vineyard which provides fantastic depth and structure.

WINEMAKING

These distinctly different vineyards are kept separate right through the winemaking process. Cabernet Sauvignon has small berries and thick skins so care needs to be taken to avoid extracting too much tannin. The bunches are gently destemmed allowing a large percentage of whole, unbroken berries to be present. Cold soaking at 10°C releases soft tannins and colour prior to inoculation with a specially selected yeast strain that steadily warms the ferment to 25°C where it is held until dry.

A gentle basket pressing preceded maturation in new and seasoned French oak for 12 months. The final blend was selected from only the best barrels just prior to bottling.

This wine is 100 % McLaren Vale.

TASTING NOTES

COLOUR	Dense rich purple with vibrant ruby hues.
AROMA	Mocha, mint, cassis with a hint of oak.
FLAVOUR	Well rounded and mouthfilling with cassis, mint and French oak on the long finish.
CELLAR POTENTIAL	2028

HAVE IT WITH ...

Lamb, roasted, slow cooked or on the BBQ.

