



ACE OF TRUMPS GRAND VIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

McLaren Vale | 2017



This elevated and south facing vineyard in the Seaview sub-region of McLaren Vale has a reputation for producing very stylish and elegant Cabernet Sauvignon wines. The section of the vineyard chosen for this wine was hand manicured from pruning through shoot and fruit thinning to produce a very small but very special parcel of grapes. After hand harvesting, crushing and fermentation the wine was matured in seasoned and new French oak barriques and hogsheads for 16 months. Further barrel selection has resulted in the finest expression of McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon.

Very deep ruby with intense aromas of spicy black currants, attractive mouth coating tannins, mid palate fruit intensity and impressive oak notes all describe the great structure that this wine has now and will carry into the future as it ages very, very slowly, which is typical of great Cabernet Sauvignon.

This outstanding wine is lovely to drink now but will cellar for 10-20+ years to come.

Good depth of rich red colour with traces of purple and brick in the rim, the bouquet is cedary, briary, vanilla/chocolate/mocha and mulberry fruit, the cabernet character is there but sotto voce. There is very good flavour on the medium-full bodied palate, with soft powdery tannins and very attractive balance. It's now drinking superbly

HUON HOOKE
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95 Points (2017 VINTAGE)
The Real Review

97 Points (2017 VINTAGE)
Nick Butler

90 Points Silver (2017 VINTAGE)
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