



BLEWITT SPRINGS ESTATE

2012 ADELAIDE HILLS MERLOT

The Blewitt Springs Estate label was created as a tribute to the first Patritti vineyard purchased and planted in the McLaren Vale region, the Blewitt Springs Vineyard. Its fruit has been a mainstay of Patritti table wines for over five decades. Similarly, this range provides wines of ever-reliable quality and excellent value for money.

REGION

The Adelaide Hills wine region has a reputation for producing some of Australia's most exciting cool climate wines. With an average elevation around 600 metres the climate is significantly cooler than the neighbouring areas. Cool, dry summers and an autumn ripening period produce a balanced fruit flavour profile and natural acidity.

VINTAGE

Cool periods through October and November affected flowering and fruit set leading to lower fruit yields. Average spring rainfall meant subsoil moisture was very good and useful summer rain kept moisture levels on target. Summer temperatures were slightly above average with no extreme heat events. Overall quality is outstanding with the reds showing remarkable varietal character with rich flavour, great structure and fine tannins.

TASTING COMMENTS

Brick red in colour this Merlot is crafted from premium cool climate fruit from the Adelaide Hills. The nose is distinctly plum with inviting notes of warm oak. The palate is elegant and medium bodied with fine grained tannins. Luscious plum, black cherry and soft vanillin oak sweep across the palate like velvet before a long, voluptuous finish.

ALC/VOL

13.5%

SERVING SUGGESTION

Rack of lamb

