

BLEWITT SPRINGS ESTATE

2013 MCLAREN VALE CABERNET SHIRAZ

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

McLaren Vale enjoys a reputation for producing high quality Shiraz and Grenache along with some alternative varietals from Italy and Spain. Elevation peaks at 350 metres along the Sellicks foothills with these vineyards influenced by the cooler gully winds making them ideal for white wine and cooler climate varieties. Majority of vineyards are located on gently undulating land with strong coastal influences. The Mediterranean climate is characterised by moderate winters, warm summers and predictable winter rainfall.

VINTAGE

Below average spring rainfall and temperatures above 35 °C in October and November meant there was a very dry start to the growing season. The dry conditions continued into summer and led to poor fruit set across most varieties. As a result yields were down, but quality of both reds and whites were maintained and showed excellent balance.

TASTING COMMENTS

The colour is dark crimson with an enticing aroma of soft red fruits, dark cherry, coffee and sweet spices. The palate is elegant and perfectly balanced with the cherry and red fruit flavours supported by fine chalky tannins. A classic blend, this wine will benefit from short to medium term cellaring.

ALC/VOL 13.5%

SERVING SUGGESTION Hearty pasta dishes



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