



JPB

LIMITED RELEASE SHIRAZ MCLAREN VALE 2017

Our family range reflects the progression of the Patritti business since its establishment in 1926. The single vineyard wines showcase our founder's understanding of the importance of terroir through the selection and subsequent purchase of these sites.

We named this wine after our founder Giovanni (John) Patritti, one of the earliest Italians to settle in Australia in 1925. The label design is reminiscent of the earliest Patritti labels and features the original JPB logo. Trading as 'John Patritti Brighton' referring to the greater region of Adelaide where the winery is located, the demand for his wines steadily grew. Today, the original JPB branding iron is still used to stamp barrels and grandson, James Mungall makes the wines that are enjoyed around the world.

VINEYARD

The fruit for this wine is sourced from selected rows in the family's own Blewitt Springs vineyard in the McLaren Vale region. Planted in 1960, the vineyard's free draining sandy soil, mild to warm climate and high elevation create a site perfectly suited to growing premium low yielding Shiraz grapevines.

VINTAGE

A cool spring with high rainfall meant soils were wet and flower development was delayed, the catalyst for a late vintage. Warm, dry conditions with a few bursts of heat through the ripening period and into autumn allowed fruit to develop full colour with good flavour characteristics.

VINIFICATION

Harvested from the estate's Blewitt Springs vineyard at approximately 1.9t per acre, the fruit was crushed, destemmed and soaked for two days prior to fermentation to extract maximum colour without the production of alcohol. Fermented on skins for eight days before pressing, the wine was transferred to predominantly new American and French oak barrels to undergo malolactic fermentation. Following MLF the wine was aged in barrel for 16 months before bottling without fining or filtration.

TASTING COMMENTS

The colour is a deep almost black red showing a slither of violet-purple on the hue. Aromatically the wine is complex and concentrated with plum, blue fruits and raspberries, layered over coffee and dark chocolate oak. The full-bodied palate is driven and powerful; the oak is a feature, but it's almost completely absorbed by the concentrated dark fruit flavours. Although it's intense, the balance of all components make the wine enjoyable now but will cellar happily over the decades to come.



SUB-REGION: Blewitt Springs

SKIN CONTACT: 8 days

OAK: Predominantly new American and French oak barrels

BARREL MATURATION: 16 months

WINEMAKERS: James Mungall & Ben Heide

ALC/VOL: 14.5%

Titrateable Acid: 6.9 g/L

pH: 3.48

Residual Sugar: 0.6 g/L

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