

# McPHERSON WINES

## LANEWAY

### 2016 Shiraz

Celebrate the transient and hidden beauty in both our cities and winery. Each bottle of McPherson Wines Laneway will be enjoyed in a unique environment and appreciated in a different way. I hope you enjoy the colour and texture of each of our laneways.

**Gold medal** Royal Melbourne Wine Awards 2018

**4.5 STARS 'Best Value'** Best Value Buys Winestate Magazine, July / August 2018

**Bronze medal** Royal Queensland Wine Show 2018

**Bronze medal** Royal Hobart Wine Show 2018

**Bronze medal** Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2018

#### VINTAGE INFORMATION

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| Region        | Central Victoria |
| Varietal      | 100% Shiraz      |
| Alcohol       | 14.5%            |
| Best Consumed | 2018 - 2024      |



#### JO'S WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

Fruit for the Laneway Shiraz was harvested from select vineyard sites within Central Victoria. The must was fermented in static red fermenters and pumped over every eight hours for the ferment's duration. Once the ferment was dry, the resulting wine was pressed off the skins and allowed to settle before allowing a natural secondary fermentation to commence. Separate parcels of the wine were aged on French oak staves for 8 months, after which the final blending of select parcels took place. The resulting wine is ripe, complex and wonderfully rich and brooding.

#### JO'S HARVEST NOTES

The best way to describe vintage 2016 is fast & furious! There was no orderly ripening of fruit, no luxury of white fruit followed by red fruit, it was like the flood gates opened and everything just rolled in at once. Again we had little rain and a very hot spring leading up to harvest, which meant things ripened faster than normal. Optimum flavours and ripeness came on more quickly than previous years and the only way around it was to pick as fast as we could. Thankfully we worked our way through it, and the resulting quality is excellent.

#### JO'S WINE DESCRIPTION

I love making (and drinking) this wine! Rich, with elegant and supple tannins; this is a bold, modern Australian wine exhibiting aromas and flavours of blackberry and spice. The rich and full palate is complemented by hints of French oak leading to a seamless finish. Great to drink young, however time will reward those with patience...

#### JO'S FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

This wine is made with food in mind. Served in forward trending bars and cafes, this is a versatile, medium bodied wine that is perfect with modern street food, rich rustic pasta, ribs and burgers.

