



PIRRAMIMMA

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2017 Pirramimma ACJ Icon Blend



Winemaker's Notes

This restricted release wine is named in honour of our founder, Alexander Campbell Johnston, who over 124 years ago planted his first small vine cutting in iron laden, rich red soil near the township of McLaren Vale. The Johnston Family still produce estate grown wines and operate one of Australia's oldest wineries – PIRRAMIMMA.

Only produced if selected parcels display outstanding varietal and regional characters. The exceptional 2017 vintage provided such fruit for our sixth ACJ release of 500 dozen. The wine is a blend of 48% Cabernet Sauvignon from our Basket Weave block, 21% Shiraz from the War Horse block, 11% Petit Verdot from the Siberia block, 8% Tannat from the Olive block, 6% Merlot from our Katunga vineyard and 6% Malbec from OTC.

The bouquet displays briary blackberry, violets, Morello Cherry and Kalamata olive with hints of subtle cedary oak and black plum. On the palate intense black cherry and boysenberry are complemented by hints of musk and liquorice, all enveloped in fine grained savoury French oak. The wine has a beautifully integrated seam of ripe tannin and long sustained finish. Aerate extensively to drink now or will age gracefully with correct cellaring.

Geoff Johnston

Wine Particulars

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| Appellation: | McLaren Vale, South Australia |
| Vintage: | 2017 |
| Varietal: | 48% Cabernet Sauvignon 21% Shiraz 11% Petit Verdot 8% Tannat 6% Merlot 6% Malbec |
| Harvested: | 2017 |
| Alcohol: | 14.6% |
| Acid: | 6.1g/L |
| PH: | 3.6 |
| Residual Sugar: | 3.7 g/ L |
| Maturation: | 24 months in new & older French Oak |
| Bottled | 4 th May 2020 |
| Cellaring: | Will bottle mature for 15 plus years. |