Cockfighter's Ghost

'The Legend'

Vintage Conditions

The 2016 vintage is being heralded as one of South Australia's best. A warm dry spring resulted in yet another early start to vine growth. Rainfall in late January and February together with cooler conditions resulted in excellent conditions for flavour development and acid retention. The vines were well balanced and crop levels were higher than average harvest began early and the fruit had good sugar-acid balance, excellent colour and well developed flavours.

Winemakers Notes

This wine is a classic blend of Shiraz (50%), Cabernet Sauvignon (45%), Merlot (5%). The Shiraz are sourced from our Chairman's Vineyard, located in the heart of Blewitt Springs, McLaren Vale, whilst the Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from a premium vineyard in Coonawarra. The fruit was harvested and immediately transported to our winery in the Hunter Valley. Each variety was made separately with primary fermentation taking place in 7 tonne stainless steel fermenters with pump overs taking place twice a day. At the end of fermentation the wine pressed off skins and put to French oak to undergo maturation for 12 months. The parcels were then blended, filtered and bottled.

Tasting Notes

Colour
Deep crimson to purple.

Bouquet
Aromas of black berries, cherries and plums with underlying savoury oak.

Palate
A beautifully balanced wine, displaying abundant, juicy red berry fruits with subtle spice and soft tannins.

Vintage
2016

Region
McLaren Vale & Coonawarra, SA

Cellaring
Enjoy now or in the next 5-10 years

Tech Data

Alc.	14.9%
TA	6.3g/L
pH	3.50

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