

# MCPHERSON

A MODERN AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE

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## 2008 MCPHERSON CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*With a focus on traditional winemaking craftwork and state-of-the-art technology, the McPherson wines are designed to be easy-drinking, fruit driven styles with generous mouth-filling flavours. For almost 40 years the McPherson family have been committed to producing high quality wines at an affordable price.*



### VINTAGE INFORMATION

Region	South Eastern Australia
Varietal	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol	14.0%
Best Consumed	2009 - 2012

### WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

The grapes for this Cabernet Sauvignon were picked and crushed during the cool of night, thus ensuring the retention of varietal character, while modern winemaking techniques were employed throughout. Cold maceration of the fruit prior to fermentation helped to bring out colour and the wine's primary varietal characters – such as blackcurrant and herbal fruit flavours. While still fermenting, the wine was transferred onto medium toast, French oak where it then spent several months, giving the wine a subtle enhancing structure and giving the wine a subtle spice character adding further dimension to the overall style. The inclusion of some high quality Central Victorian fruit in the blend has improved both the colour and flavour profiles of the wine.

### HARVEST NOTES

The 2008 ripening season started with an extreme heat wave which saw fruit ripen at a surprisingly fast rate. With a lack of good rainfall, harvesting began earlier than usual, however good bunch weights, small berries complimented by high sugar levels produced ripe, rich and intense flavours in the berries.

### WINE DESCRIPTION

This wine is a dense inky-purple colour with an enticing nose displaying aromas of ripe blackberries and cassis with a slight hint of capsicum. The palate is elegantly structured with fruit intensity, integrated spicy oak and above all, finesse.

### FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

A classic partner for grilled rib eye served with a pepper sauce. McPherson Cabernet Sauvignon also pairs well with rich tomato based pasta dishes.

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