



*Donald 'DJ' Oliver
McLaren Vale.*

DJ

2015 DJ CABERNET SAUVIGNON

HISTORY

This is the seventh release of the DJ Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon. DJ is a man of few words; as straight up and down as the prized rows of vines he cares for. His passion for grapegrowing is only exceeded by his passion for his family and sport (especially sport!). This reserve Cabernet is a deserving testament to him; to his passion, his grit, his down-right stubbornness, and his relentless efforts to grow the best fruit possible.

VINTAGE

Over the 174 years plus that we have been growing grapes on the Taranga property, we haven't seen an earlier finish to vintage. Well, not in living memory anyway! Usually we will harvest in February & March- but in 2015, we finished on the last day of February. Unheard of!! We had very low crops and a warm year, which sped up ripening. The 'Old Block' Cabernet Sauvignon was picked on the 24th of February 2015.

AROMA

Sweet vanillin, char, mulberry jelly and choc mint biscuits.

PALATE

Pop a lamb roast in the oven quick! Plenty of chewy tannin, mint jelly, gravy, black currant, anise, cherry berry and dusty tannins to round out the palate. Chocolate and toasty, plenty of structure and aging potential for those who have the patience to wait.

OAK TREATMENT

30% new French Oak – the DJ spends 24 months in barrel

CELLARING

10 + years

WINEMAKER

Corrina

Corrina Wright, 6th Generation

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

COLOUR

Rich Deep Burgundy

ALCOHOL

14.5%

CELLARING

10+ years



WHAT THE WRITERS HAVE TO SAY [2015 VINTAGE]

Machine-harvested from the Old Block planted '73, destemmed and crushed, 3 days cold soak, wild yeast open-fermented, 12 days on skins, matured in French hogsheads (35% new). Rich McLaren Vale cabernet, it's full-bodied, but carries its weight easily. The tannins were never going to be a problem, and the oak was well judged, leaving the great Reynell clone free to speak in its effortlessly pure fashion.

James Halliday, 95 points

DONALD 'DJ' OLIVER

GENERATION

5th

BORN

1951