



## SPRING SEED WINES 'SWEET PEA' 2015 McLAREN VALE MOSCATO

### Spring Seed Wine Co

Spring Seed Wines are made from grapes lovingly grown in our family's organic vineyard, located in the premium wine region of McLaren Vale, South Australia. The vineyard was established in the early 1970's by Peter and Anthea Bosworth, and is now owned and run by their son Joch, who began the conversion to organic viticulture in 1995. The vines are fully certified 'A' grade organic by Australian Certified Organic, a process that takes four years and involves yearly audits and random sampling of produce. The Spring Seed Wine labels are unashamedly inspired by vintage flower seed packets created at the turn of the last century. The colour, clarity and beauty of the original seed packets are quite remarkable. We have chosen the Sweet Pea image for our Moscato.

### Vintage 2015

We had a very early start to vintage in 2015, with generally mild conditions throughout. We had only a handful of hot days, which allowed natural acids to develop nicely. This was a very short, sharp vintage, with most winemakers finishing their vintage well before Easter. Yields were down, somewhere between 10 and 30% depending on variety. Joch's take on the whole thing? 'Fast, early and pretty'.

### Winemaking

There are over 200 strains/ varieties of the Muscat grape in the world; some say the modern wine grape evolved from this variety. This much I know from Google. Our Sweet Pea is made using Muscat à Petit Grains, which is common throughout central and Eastern Europe. It is a red grape, although it is used predominantly to make either sweet or dry white wines. We use it to make our ever so slightly pink and 'frizzante' Moscato wine. We pick the grapes and allow them to spend a small amount of time 'on skins' so we get the lovely pink colour. We then make the wine like a white wine; press off skins and ferment. The wine is chilled to stop fermented and bottled with a little bit of fizz.

### Tasting Note

If you read the back label of this wine you will see that we describe our 'Sweet Pea' as an ideal breakfast wine. This makes us sound like lulus here at BoB and SS wines, when in fact all we are trying to do is help with your food and wine matching dilemmas. Our Moscato has a gorgeous grapey nose of Turkish Delight, a hint of cinnamon and a little bubble gum. Of course 'Sweet Pea' is sweet (because of the residual sugar that remains after we stop the fermentation) but it finishes with a wonderful savoury character. It is perfect with scrambled eggs (and smoked salmon if you are pushing the boat out) but also works well at the other end of the day when it matches well with strawberry based desserts. Making cocktails? Add some gin to the 'Sweet Pea' plenty of ice, fresh lime, soda water (if you are feeling cautious) and an umbrella if you are feeling flamboyant. Is there nothing our Sweet Pea Moscato can't do?

### Technical Details

Vineyard: Bradens  
Picking Dates: 13th February 2015  
Alc/ Vol: 7.0%  
Bottling date: 13th May 2015



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