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SPRING SEED WINES 'WANDERER' 2016 McLAREN VALE SPARKLING RED

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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 (and partner Louise Hemsley-Smith), 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 Heliotrope image for our Sparkling Red. 'Wanderer' is our take on one of heliotrope's common names.

Vintage 2016

Wanderer is made by blending a few different vintages of Petit Verdot, a grape variety which hails originally from Bordeaux. This allows us to create a base wine with both complexity and freshness.

Winemaking

Later ripening Petit Verdot from our vineyard block up near cellar door is gently picked before being taken down the hill to the winery to be crushed before undergoing open fermentation. Once through ferment, the PV is pressed off skins and sent to stainless steel vessels. It doesn't spend any time in oak, as we want to retain the wonderful dark fruit vibrancy of the variety. In a similar vein to the Spring Seed Blanc de Blancs (Gypsy), the Wanderer is sent off after ferment and ageing on the vinous equivalent of a Grand Tour to find its fizz. In this case, the Wanderer is sent up to a winery in the Barossa, whereas the English Gentleman in the 17th and 18th centuries went off around Europe to learn about classical antiquity and mix with the great families and houses on the continent. The Wanderer then returns home, enlightened and ready to be sent into polite society to be enjoyed. By you, that is.

Tasting Note

'Wanderer' is an elegant yet full bodied sparkling red made using our own home-grown organic Petit Verdot. It has a vibrant bright purple colour, with a nose ripe with blueberries, plum, black cherry and a hint of violets. It is perfect as an aperitif or can be enjoyed with a variety of food. Serve chilled.

Technical Details

Vineyard: Grange – The Hill Petit Verdot
Alc/ Vol: 12.5%

~ made with organically grown grapes from our vineyard ~