



C O R I O L E

McLAREN VALE

2014 Mary Kathleen — Cabernet Merlot —

2014 Vintage

The 2014 vintage was locally described as the holiday vintage; ripening was slow and we had plenty of time to do what we wanted whenever we wanted. Maybe that's an exaggeration! The wines turned out very well with plenty of colour, flavour and richness along with characteristic Coriole restraint.

Background

Mary Kathleen is named after Lloyd family matriarch, Mary Kathleen Lloyd, one of Coriole's founders. It is produced from three small, select vineyards on Coriole estate, planted between 1968 and 1986. The wine was first produced in 1992.

Tasting Notes

This is a serious red - even the nose is long and satisfying. With hints of roast red pepper and smokey tomato, cassis, pink peppercorn and forest fruits and a suggestion of burnished mahogany.

The structural tannins are upfront on the palate and will soften with time in the cellar. Then come the berries - cherry, cranberry, boysenberry and blackcurrant, grounded with toasty, savoury oak.

Serving Suggestion

Treat yourself to a perfectly seared duck breast with a red current sauce and some roasted, maple glazed butternut pumpkin.

Winemaker Says

The trick here is the Merlot; often more structural than our Cabernet, its blending has to be precise so as to not overwhelm the Cabernet. Small batch open ferments, 2yrs in barrel and then 2yrs bottle age before release. This wine will really reward the patient cellarer.

Region (GI): 100% McLaren Vale
Varietal Comp: 80% Cabernet, 20% Merlot
Alcohol: 14.5% Alc/Vol
Total Acidity: 6.5 g/L
pH: 3.56



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