



# FOX CREEK WINES

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## Sustainability & Biodiversity

We are passionate about the natural conditions of the environment in which we work, live and play. For years we have produced high quality wines with an eye set on sustainable winemaking processes and protection of our surroundings. Our sustainability credentials include:

- A member of *Sustainable Winegrowing Australia (SWA)*, a national program for grapegrowers and winemakers to demonstrate and continuously improve their sustainability in the vineyard and winery through environmental, social and economic aspects of their businesses. Fox Creek is in the process of becoming fully accredited and certified which involves regular auditing. Owner and Viticulturalist Jock Harvey was the original co-author of *Generational Farming* in 2009 that then became SWA.
- A planting partner of *Biodiversity McLaren Vale*, an organisation committed to removing non-indigenous plant life and replanting with native species. Owner and Viticulturalist Jock Harvey cofounded this joint initiative of local community, industry and government which has then become an industry leader allowing for replication on a national and international level.
- Partnered with *L50K*, who work to regenerate the landscape and educate about bi-cultural history of Australia. *Lot 50-Kanyanyapilla* is a private, bi-cultural, ecological and cultural regeneration project neighbouring Fox Creek Wines that fosters indigenous Australian ecological relations and understanding.
- Minimal intervention in the vineyards, including minimal use of pesticides.
- Electricity captured from three separate solar systems on site to offset our demand from the electricity grid. Additional space marked for future expansion.
- Treated reclaimed water used for irrigation in the vineyards to reduce stress on natural resources and alleviate chemical runoff. Owner and Viticulturalist Jock Harvey originally proclaimed the underground resource in 1991, and was a part of the team that developed the Water Allocation Plan that became law in 2002. Wastewater is treated onsite through a woodlot system (our own miniature forest) ensuring that only clarified water returns to the water tables and not sent out to sea.
- Rainwater collection and wastewater treatment in the winery.
- Clippings from pruning of vineyards, together with skins, seeds and stems from grapes after pressing in the winery are returned to the vineyards as mulch.
- Electric vehicle charging station at Cellar Door.
- Wherever possible our wines are packaged using recycled materials. Furthermore, all of our packaging, including glass, screwcaps, cardboard boxes and paper labels are recyclable.
- Zero waste policy across Fox Creek Wines in the winery, production and tourism sites.

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