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LIMITED RELEASE SHIRAZ MCLAREN VALE 2020

Our family range reflects the progression of the Patritti business since its establishment in 1926. The single vineyard wines showcase our founder's understanding of the importance of terroir through the selection and subsequent purchase of these sites.

We named this wine after our founder Giovanni (John) Patritti, one of the earliest Italians to settle in Australia in 1925. The label design is reminiscent of the earliest Patritti labels and features the original JPB logo. Trading as 'John Patritti Brighton' referring to the greater region of Adelaide where the winery is located, the demand for his wines steadily grew. Today, the original JPB branding iron is still used to stamp barrels and grandson, James Mungall makes the wines that are enjoyed around the world.

VINEYARD

The fruit for this wine is sourced from selected rows in the family's own Blewitt Springs vineyard in the McLaren Vale region. Planted in 1960, the vineyard's free draining sandy soil, mild to warm climate and high elevation create a site perfectly suited to growing premium low yielding Shiraz grapevines.

VINTAGE

A vintage that will be remembered for its challenges but also for the quality of the wines that were produced. Crop levels were low, in some cases very low, as a result of extreme weather conditions early in the season. Frost, drought, heat and bushfires impacted many regions across Australia. Fortunately, cool and near perfect conditions later in the season allowed for slow and even ripening resulting in very high fruit quality.

VINIFICATION

Hand harvested from the estate's Blewitt Springs vineyard, the fruit was crushed, destemmed and soaked for one day prior to fermentation to extract maximum colour without the production of alcohol. Fermented on skins for seven days before pressing, the wine was transferred to 70% new French and American oak barrels to undergo malolactic fermentation. Following MLF the wine was aged in barrel for 20 months before bottling without fining or filtration.

TASTING COMMENTS

The colour is a deep almost black ruby red showing a slither of violet-purple on the hue. Aromatically the wine is complex and concentrated with plum, blue fruits and raspberries, complexed spice and toasty oak. The full-bodied palate is driven and powerful; with even structure and long tannin line, oak is integrated with the blue and red fruits. Whilst enjoyable now this wine will cellar beautifully over the decades to come.



SUB-REGION: Blewitt Springs

SKIN CONTACT: 7 days

OAK: Predominantly new French and American oak barrels

BARREL MATURATION: 20 months

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WINEMAKERS: James Mungall & Ben Heide	
ALC/VOL: 14.0%	Titratable Acid: 7.3 g/L
<i>pH</i> : 3.43	Residual Sugar: 0.5 g/L