

2021 MARY KATHLEEN CABERNET

Mary Kathleen is named after Lloyd family matriarch, Mary Kathleen "Molly" 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

Blackcurrant, red berries and tobacco leaf. Fresh vanilla and black pepper perfume and a subtle touch of spicy oak. A rich and bold entry with flavours of black tea, mulberry, wild bramble and a little dark chocolate. The tannins are plush and lend the wine a richness and depth.

Serving suggestion

Roast beef with all the trimmings. If possible, decant for 2-3 hours before serving with all richer dishes.

Winemaker says

It is always a highlight selecting the barrels that go into this blend from our two small estate vineyards. A savoury and elegant expression from the fantastic 2021 vintage. Long and full flavoured this Cabernet will cellar well for up to 20 years.

Technical notes

Region (GI): 100% McLaren Vale Varietal comp: 100% Cabernet

Alcohol: 14.5%

Total acidity: 5.90 g/L

pH: 3.67 GF: 0.5 g/L

2021 vintage

2021 will be sure to be remembered as one of the great vintages in McLaren Vale. The vintage started off well with slightly above average rainfall through the winter and spring of 2020. Once the growing season commenced, we had healthy vines, and mild conditions through spring and summer. Vintage kicked off in mid-February and a well-spaced vintage saw the last fruit picked in mid-April. We had average yields across most white varieties with the resulting wines showing great clarity of aromatics. In shiraz, fantastic fruit condition and even ripening made life easy in the winery where we could watch each block express its identity - bright fruit and juicy flavours, with ripe, full tannin structures and impressive length of flavour.

