



Some Young Punks

2021

'PASSION BY PUNKS'

Red Blend | McLaren Vale - Australia



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon -
40% Shiraz

Vineyard: Three sites between
Kangarilla & McLaren Flat in McLaren
Vale

Vine Age: Average: 16-years-old

Soil Type: Varied: Heavier sandy,
loam through to red & brown clays

Viticulture: Conventional

Fermentation: Inoculated – stainless-
steel (de-stemmed, separate
ferments)

Skin Contact: 7

Aging: 10 months in 70% stainless-
steel tanks and 30% neutral French
barrique

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.59

Total Acidity: 6.10 g/L

Total SO₂: 48 ppm

Total Production: 2,884 cases

UPC: 9340928000203

About

'Passion by Punks' (formerly 'Passion Has Red Lips') started out as Col & Jen's take on the contemporary Australian blend Cabernet/Shiraz and low and behold, 16 years later it still is! The entire world's evolution in 2020 coincided with Colin & Jen having a lot of time to think about the direction of SYP. They had wavered at times of being committed to it or putting more energy into other projects, namely the family estate of Adelina. Fortunately for all Punks fans they used the 'quiet time' of 2020 to capture new energy and gave Punks a facelift. While the 2020 vintage was Shiraz-dominated, 2021 is the reverse, being 60% Cab and 40% Shiraz. The former is from dense loamy soils near McLaren Flat, and the latter comes from the same clay-rich vineyard as 'Naked' near Kangarilla.

The grapes were primarily machine-harvested with a few older vine sites being hand-picked. The fruit was fully destemmed and lightly crushed then sent to open-top stainless-steel tanks. Fermentation occurred separately in tank using Col & Jen's affinity for yeast, specifically a selected strain that achieved the ideal vision of clean fermentation. After 7 days on skins the lot was pressed, with only the free run juice being used, directly to roughly 70% stainless-steel and 30% neutral French barriques for aging. A small addition of sulfur was added as the wines were first laid to rest and then after ten months the wine was racked and blended to tank to settle naturally. The wine was bottled without fining or filtration and just another small sulfur addition.

Tasting Note

A sensual Cab/Shiraz blend. The nose drips of dark cherries, cranberries, and blackcurrants. The palate is medium-bodied and juicy, and it finishes exquisitely vibrant, especially when paired with a burger.