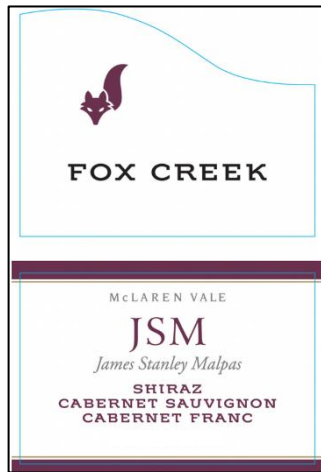


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Fox Creek Background

Owner: Ben Gibson / Jock Harvey

Country: Australia

Region: McLaren Vale / South Australia

Founded: 1994

Description: Founded in 1994, Fox Creek is an award-winning winery crafting a range of critically-acclaimed wines from McLaren Vale, one of Australia's top wine regions. Noted for authenticity, craftsmanship and a sense of terroir, a number of Fox Creek wines are recognized as Aussie icons. In 2021, the winery was purchased by a trio of industry veterans, ushering an exciting new chapter in the winery's development.

Wine Notes – 2018 JSM McLaren Vale

Fox Creek has been one of Australia's best known artisanal wineries since its founding in 1994 and boasts a rare five-star rating from James Halliday, the leading Australian wine critic. JSM was first bottled in 1995 and is named for Captain James Stanley Malpas, who lived in what is now Fox Creek in the late 19th century. Shiraz-dominated, with additions of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, the wine has been a consistent critical and consumer favorite. Hand-picked and machine-harvested estate grapes (10% whole-cluster) are separately fermented by varietal in open top stainless steel for 8-10 days. The wine is then aged in 1- to 4-year old French and American oak barrels and puncheons for 19 months, then blended, filtered, bottled and released. The result is deep red gem that seamlessly merges the richness of Shiraz with Cabernet Sauvignon's ripe round tannins and length and Cabernet Franc's aromatic lift and pure fruit.



94 Points (2022) – *Cabernet franc adds so much to the kit...a sum far greater than its individual parts! An exercise in poise, effortless drinkability, serious value and great length. Kudos! Great Value*

Technical Specifications

Varietal Composition:	74% Shiraz, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc
Vineyard Region:	South Australia – McLaren Vale
Production Volume:	1,500 cases
Vineyard Characteristics:	50 year old vines, flat topography, sandy red/black loams
Winemaking / Vinification:	Machine-harvested, 90/10 destemmed / whole-cluster grapes, 8-10 day fermentation in open top stainless steel fermenters using select yeast, 2-4 weeks skin contact Aged 19 months in 1- to 4-year old French and American oak hogshead barrels and puncheons, filtered, no bottle aging pre-release, post-fermentation sulfites added – 60-80 ppm
Alcohol / Volume:	14.5%
Acidity:	6.73 g/l
Residual Sugar:	3.6 g/l