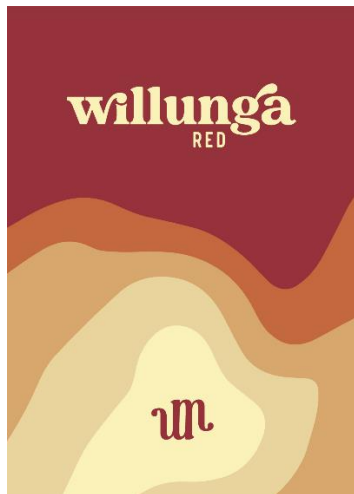


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Fox Creek Background

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 – Willunga Red Blend (NV)

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. Willunga is an exciting new bottling that combines lush, ripe fruit and Fox Creek's winemaking skill in a consumer-friendly package. A Shiraz-driven blend of five varietals from various vintages, the grapes are destemmed and fermented in open-top fermenters for 8-10 days. The wine is then aged in oak hogshead barrels and stainless steel tanks for 9-12 months, filtered, bottled and released. The result is a crimson beauty featuring red fruit, vanilla bean and cinnamon notes. Fine acidity, plush tannins and refined oak note round out this crowd-pleasing daily red.



89 Points (August 2022)

This is a ripe, big-boned but decently structured wine...Aromas of dark chocolate, black olive, damson plum, cherry, ground pepper and bay conjure a winter-warming vibe. The palate is dense, with some alcohol heat and oak showing, but there's a nice lift of acidity, fruit and spice. Muscular tannins are on the chewy, impenetrable side.

Technical Specifications

Varietal Composition:	Shiraz, Cab Sauv, Cab Franc, Ruby Cab, Merlot (blend of vintages)
Vineyard Region:	South Australia – McLaren Vale, Langhorne Creek, Riverland
Production Volume:	12,000 cases
Vineyard Characteristics:	25-30 year old vines, flat topography, red/black loam – sandy red/black loams
Wine-Making / Vinification:	Machine-harvested, 100% destemmed grapes, 8-10 day fermentation in 5-10 ton open top stainless steel fermenters using select yeast Aged 9-12 months in French and American oak hogshead barrels and tanks, filtered, no bottle aging pre-release, post-fermentation sulfites added – 60-80 ppm
Alcohol / Volume:	14.5%
Acidity:	6.02 g/l
Residual Sugar:	8.2 g/l