



PIRRAMIMMA

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2009 ACJ



Winemaker's Notes

This rarely released wine is named in honour of our founder, Alexander Campbell Johnston, who over 120 years ago planted his first small vine cutting in rich red soil near the town of McLaren Vale. The Johnston Family still produce estate grown wines and operate one of Australia's oldest wineries – PIRRAMIMMA.

Only produced if selected parcels display outstanding varietal and regional characters. The 2009 ACJ is only our third release and restricted to 650 dozen. The wine is a blend of 63% Shiraz from our War Horse Block, 30% Petit Verdot selected from Siberia Block and 7% Merlot from our Basket Weaved Katunga Vineyard.

The bouquet displays briary blackberry, violets and black olive with hints of subtle cedar oak and musk. On the palate intense black plum, mulberry and blueberry are complemented by hints of spices and red currants. All enveloped in subtle French oak, a beautifully integrated seam of firm tannin and long sustained finish. Aerate to drink now or will age gracefully with correct cellaring.

Geoff Johnston

Wine Particulars

Appellation:	McLaren Vale, South Australia
Vintage:	2009
Varietal:	63% Shiraz 29.6% Petit Verdot 7.4% Merlot
Vineyard:	War Horse, Siberia, Katunga
Harvested:	2009
Alcohol:	14.9%
Acid:	6.3g/L
PH:	3.46
Residual Sugar:	0.5 g/ L
Maturation:	24 months in new & older French Oak
Bottled	18 th December 2013
Cellaring:	Will bottle mature for 15 plus years.