

# PAXTON

TEMPRANILLO  
McLAREN VALE  
2024



VARIETY: Tempranillo

VINEYARDS: Landcross (bush vines), Jones Block and Hilltop Vineyard

COLOUR: Ruby red with vibrant violet hues.

AROMA: The 2024 Tempranillo enchants with a wild and aromatic bouquet. The nose opens with lifted aromas of mulberry and red bright cherry, layered with hints of provence dried herbs and subtle oak spice. Underneath, savoury notes emerge suggestive of leather, earth, and forest floor, adding complexity and intrigue.

PALATE: After a smooth entry, this wine unveils a lush and inviting mid-palate, offering a sensation of generosity and roundness. Soft, grainy tannins add texture without overwhelming, creating a velvety mouthfeel. The finish is long and composed, with fine tannins and lingering notes of cherry and cedar that leave a refined impression.

MUSIC MATCH: Smooth Operator – Sade

GOOD: Immediately BETTER: Autumn 2026 BEST: 2027-2029

VINTAGE: The 2024 vintage was marked by dramatic contrasts, beginning with an unusually wet and cool early season followed by a burst of intense summer heat. Despite the early challenges, including heavy rainfall and a heatwave during harvest, the late summer and early autumn weather allowed the remaining varieties to develop exceptional flavour concentration. Careful vineyard management, including bunch and shoot thinning, helped the grapes to thrive despite the hurdles. The resulting wines boast impressive flavour depth, refreshing natural acidity, and a well-structured tannin profile. The year's trials and triumphs have set the stage for wines with a remarkable balance of freshness and complexity.

VINIFICATION: The grapes in each individual vineyard are tasted over and over again until reaching perfect plumpness. Each vineyard block is fermented separately in small open top fermenters and carefully plunged for around 14 days until the sugars are completely dry. Racked into older French oak puncheons to rest for the next eight months before blending and bottling for your enjoyment.

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

At Paxton Wines, we have been nurturing our family owned vineyards in McLaren Vale, South Australia, since 1979. We are leaders in organic and biodynamic winemaking.

Viticulturist David Paxton, along with the Winemakers have combined their years of experience, and by embracing biodynamic and organic practices (fully certified since 2011), are producing the healthiest of vines.

Through the use of natural preparations and composts, the soil and vine are able to find the perfect balance. The end result is exceptionally pure fruit and "Wines with Life".



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