

2005 Reserve Shiraz



Appearance

Intense vibrant purple, black colour.

Bouquet

Lifted complex aromas of spicy berry fruit, with smoky chocolate and savoury integrated oak complexity.

Palate

The palate has a thick rich entry with mulberry and milk chocolate flavours. The structure is thick and rich, with a solid concentrated juicy blackberry & mulberry flavoured profile, a well integrated full palate with generous length of flavour.

Winemaking

Sourced from selected premium McLaren Vale vineyards with predominantly Bay of Biscay soils. Harvested when fruit flavours, grape tannins and acids reached maturity.

Fermentation on skins was for 9 - 10 days with a proportion of the wine (90%) completing fermentation in barrel. Maturation of fruit from each vineyard was considered and completed in specialized oak from a range of coopers from France, USA and Australia. Maturation was for 16 months in both new and used oak barrels.

Barrel by barrel selection during all stages of fermentation and barrel maturation to ensure only the best Shiraz barrels were selected for the final blend.

pH
3.56

TA
6.83g/L

Alc.
14.5% by vol.

Ageing Potential

Drinking best up to 2014. This wine can be decanted for up to 2 hours prior to consumption. Our Shiraz is an exquisite accompaniment for full flavoured food, but is sufficiently complex and satisfying to be savoured on its own.

Viticulture

Nick Wiltshire

Winemakers

Chris Dix & Scott Zrna

Awards

Blue Gold Medal, Sydney International Wine Show 2008
 Excellent Classification, Langton's Classification of Australian Wine IV
 Silver Medal, Decanter World Wine Awards 2007
 Silver Medal, Sydney Royal Wine Show 2007
 Silver Medal, Royal Hobart Wine Show 2006
 Silver Medal, McLaren Vale Wine Show 2008
 Bronze Medal, Royal Hobart Wine Show 2008
 Bronze Medal, International Wine & Spirit Competition 2007
 Bronze Medal, Great Shiraz Challenge 2007
 Bronze Medal, Vintage Cellars National Wine Show 2007
 Bronze Medal, Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2008
 Bronze Medal, Royal Queensland Wine Show 2008
 Bronze Medal, Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2007
 Bronze Medal, Royal Adelaide Show 2007
 Bronze Medal, Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2006
 Bronze Medal, McLaren Vale Wine Show 2007
 Bronze Medal, McLaren Vale Wine Show 2006
 4 Stars, Winestate Shiraz & Shiraz Blends, September/October 2007

