

2007 Reserve Shiraz



Appearance

Intense dark garnet colour.

Bouquet

Red cherries, plums and a hint of herbaceous spearmint lift meld with the complex aromas of cinnamon, nutmeg and roasted chestnuts.

Palate

The palate is rich and full showing lashings of plums and cherries, with earthy nutty notes rounding out the mid palate. The wine finishes with great balance and length, and is characterised by the vibrant textural tannins which will soften as the wine ages.

Winemaking

Sourced from selected premium McLaren Vale vineyards blocks with a range of soil types contributing structural and flavour complexity. Soils include Bay of Biscay soils, grey loam, and red gravels. Harvested when fruit flavours, grape tannins and acids reached maturity.

Fermentation on skins was for 8 - 10 days, with all wine completing fermentation in barrel for added texture and give a headstart to the integration of oak and grape tannins. During maturation the wine from each vineyard batch was targeted with appropriate oak styles to maximise its potential and produce the most complex and complete wine bases possible prior to blending. Our oak barrels are sourced from coopers in France, USA and Australia and are seasoned for 3 years. Maturation was for 18 months in both new and one year old 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. Final blend proportions determined purely by quality.

Alcohol

14.5% by vol.

Winemakers

Chris Dix & Scott Zrna

Viticulture

Nick Wiltshire

Ageing Potential

Drinking best up to 2016. 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.

Awards

Blue Gold Medal, Sydney International Wine Competition 2010
 Gold Medal, WSA Wine Challenge, Singapore 2010
 Gold Medal, International Wine Challenge UK 2010
 Silver Medal, Hong Kong International Wine & Spirit Competition 2010
 Silver Medal, International Wine & Spirit Competition 2010 (UK)
 Silver Medal, AWC Vienna International Wine Challenge 2010
 Silver Medal, Japan Wine Challenge 2010
 Silver Medal, Decanter World Wine Awards 2010
 Silver Medal, San Francisco International Wine Competition 2010
 Silver Medal, McLaren Vale Wine Show 2009
 Bronze Medal, Japan Wine Challenge 2011
 Bronze Medal, Visy Great Australian Shiraz Challenge 2011
 Bronze Medal, Royal Hobart International Wine Show 2010
 Bronze Medal, Royal Adelaide Show 2010
 Bronze Medal, New Zealand International Wine Show 2010
 Bronze Medal, Sydney Royal Wine Show 2010
 Bronze Medal, Royal Queensland Wine Show 2008
 Bronze Medal, Visy Great Australian Shiraz Challenge 2009
 4.5 Stars, Winestate Magazine, New Releases, March/April 2010

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