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2014 SHIRAZ



**GOLD MEDAL** Rutherglen Wine Show 2015

**BRONZE MEDAL** Cowra Wine Show 2015

## VINTAGE INFORMATION

Region	South Eastern Australia
Varietal	100% Shiraz
Alcohol	14%
Best Consumed	2014 - 2018

## WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

The grapes for this Shiraz were picked and crushed during the cool of night, thus ensuring the retention of varietal character, while modern winemaking techniques were employed throughout. Fermentation took place in sweeping arm red fermenters, giving the wine a denser, richer colour and allowing for gentle flavour extraction. Softer tannins are also a result of this process. Careful attention was also paid to the oak selection for the Shiraz. This wine was aged on American oak for approximately 8 months, giving the wine a noticeable, but not an excessive oak influence. The inclusion of some central Victorian fruit into the blend has boosted both the colour and the intensity of flavour.

## HARVEST NOTES

The growing season in 2014 presented some challenges including frost in late 2013 and extreme heat in early 2014. Once harvesting began in late January we were pleasantly surprised by the quality of the fruit and the resulting wines. Yields were down but quality was up this year. Whites have good varietal character, with great flavour, whilst the reds have beautiful colour and flavour intensity.

## WINE DESCRIPTION

A rich, complex wine with mouth filling flavours of ripe plums, chocolate and spice, with a hint of toasty oak.

## FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

A great match with tomato based pasta dishes or a juicy steak.

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