

HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ



WINE SPECIFICATION

Vintage | 2023

Grape variety | 100% Shiraz

Oak maturation | 22% new and 78% older French

Typical analysis | 14% Alc/Vol

Release date | July 2024

TASTING NOTES

Colour | Deep red with purple hue.

Aroma

Intense and fragrant with concentrated fruit of plum and raspberry with pepper and beef gravy. There is balanced savoury oak, a dried flower perfume and a hint of aniseed.

Palate

The full and textured palate is held together with by firm fine grain tannins. Pepper, plum and raspberry dominate, with gravy and savoury oak characters providing underlying support. A ripe and complex Shiraz that will reward medium term cellaring.

Food matches

Seared prime beef and roasted root vegetables or Fillet of venison with wild mushrooms

Peak drinking

Drinking well now but will show further integration over the next 4 - 8 years

WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

Viticulture

The Home Block Shiraz vineyard comprises 0.7 ha of low irrigated vines planted on ironstone gravel over deep friable loam. Judicious shoot and bunch thinning is always used to maintain a very light crop which was hand picked in late March of 2023. Harvested at 13.4° Baume the fruit exhibited intensely concentrated flavour and colour.

Winemaking

The hand picked fruit was harvested early in the morning and processed straight away. 5% whole bunches, including stalks were placed into the bottom of the fermenter before filling. The remaining fruit was de stemmed into the small open fermenter with heading down board, which keeps the cap fully submerged between drain and returns. After nine days of fermentation, the fruit was pressed into a blend of new and used French Burgundian barrels.

Storage/Bottling

Maturation lasted 9 months before the wine was carefully blended and bottled. Bottled under screw cap to retain freshness in a premium Burgundy bottle.

HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ ACHIEVEMENTS

2022 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

Decanter World Wine Awards 2023 | **Silver** - 93 points
Ray Jordan Wine Guide 2024 | **93 points**
London International Wine Challenge 2023 | **Silver**
Royal Queensland Wine Awards 2023 | **Silver**
The 2023 Great Australian Shiraz Challenge | **Bronze**
Perth Royal Wine Awards 2023 | **Bronze**
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**
Sydney Royal Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**
Margaret River Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**

2021 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

The Real Review | **Silver 91 points**
Wine Show of WA Mount Barker 2022 | **Bronze**
Australian Small Winemakers Show 2022 | **Bronze**
Margaret River Wine Show 2022 | **Bronze**

2020 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

The 2021 Great Australian Shiraz Challenge | **Gold**
Royal Queensland Wine Awards 2022 | **Silver**
The Real Review | **Silver 92 points**
Winestate Magazine - **91 points**
Margaret River Wine Show 2021 | **Bronze**
Australian Small Winemakers Show 2021 | **Bronze**
London International Wine Challenge 2022 | **Bronze**

2019 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2021 | **TROPHY, Best Shiraz of the Show**
Perth Royal Wine Awards 2021 | **GOLD**
Decanter World Wine Awards 2021 | **GOLD**
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2020 | **GOLD**
Winestate Magazine | **5 STARS 98 Points**, Top in category The 2020 Great Australian Shiraz Challenge | **Silver**
London Int. Wine Challenge 2021 | **Silver**
London Int. Wine Challenge 2020 | **Silver**
The West Australian Wine Guide by Ray Jordan | **92 points**
Perth Royal Wine Awards 2020 | **Bronze**
Wine Show of Western Australia 2020 | **Bronze**
The KMPG Sydney Royal Wine Show 2021 | **Bronze**

2018 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

The 2020 Great Australian Shiraz Challenge | **Silver**
The West Australian Wine Guide by Ray Jordan | **92 points**
Wine Show of Western Australia 2019 | **Bronze**
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**
Australian Small Winemakers Show 2019 | **Bronze**
Decanter World Wine Awards 2020 | **Bronze**

2016 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

Decanter World Wine Awards 2019 | **Silver**
London International Wine Challenge 2019 | **Silver**
International Wine & Spirit Comp 2019 | **Silver**
The 2019 Great Australian Shiraz Challenge | **Silver**
Sydney Royal Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**
Margaret River Wine Show 2018 | **Bronze**
Wine Show of Western Australia 2018 | **Bronze**
Margaret River Wine Show 2017 | **Bronze**
Wine Show of WA Mount Barker 2017 | **Bronze**

2014 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

IWSC 2018 | **Silver**
London Int. Wine Challenge 2018 | **Silver**
Royal Perth Wine Show 2016 | **Silver**
IWSC 2017 | **Silver**
Decanter World Wine Awards 2018 | **Bronze**
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2016 | **Bronze**
Royal Queensland Wine Show 2017 | **Bronze**
Margaret River Wine Show 2015 | **Bronze**

2012 HOME BLOCK SHIRAZ

Ray Jordan West Australian Wine Guide | **94 points**
London International Wine Challenge 2016 | **Silver**
IWSC 2016 | **Silver Outstanding**
Australian Small Winemakers Show 2014 | **Bronze**

PREVIOUS VINTAGE

ACCOLADES FOR THIS WINE

Gold Medals 2 | Silver Medals 6 | Bronze Medals 16

JAMES HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION

2022 Home Block Shiraz - 90 Points
2021 Home Block Shiraz - 94 Points
2019 Home Block Shiraz - 93 Points
2018 Home Block Shiraz - 90 Points
2016 Home Block Shiraz - 95 Points
2014 Home Block Shiraz - 92 Points
2012 Home Block Shiraz - 96 Points
2011 Home Block Shiraz - 95 Points
2010 Home Block Shiraz - 92 Points
2009 Home Block Shiraz - 90 Points
2008 Home Block Shiraz - 90 Points
2007 Home Block Shiraz - 94 Points
2004 Home Block Shiraz - 90 Points
2003 Home Block Shiraz - 94 Points
2002 Home Block Shiraz - 93 Points