2014 Clos Otto Shiraz - Cellar Release

Opulence, complexity and balance all come to mind when thinking about the Clos Otto Shiraz. With vines planted by previous owner Otto Kasper using a cutting from an ageing and secret Shiraz clone, and tended to with almost antique machinery and a well-practiced hand, the Clos Otto vineyard consistently yields super low quantities with ultra rich flavours.

Accolades

James Halliday Wine Companion 96 Points The Wine Advocate 96 Points Wine Spectator 94 Points

Variety | Blend 100% Shiraz

Pre-Vintage

Rainfall: Above average winter and early spring rainfall | Dry late spring early summer

Temperature: Warm Spring to early Summer | High winds during flowering **Upshot:** Balanced vines | Augmented development | Uneven fruit set

Vintage

Rainfall: Rain event mid-February | Dry otherwise Temperature: Hot Summer | Milder during vintage

Upshot: Early harvest before mid-vintage pause | Late ripening and flavour development | Balanced concentrated wines

Vineyard

G Block: Shallow red clay loam overlying red plastic clay | North-south oriented rows | Elevated eastern aspect | Long even sunlight

Upshot: Soft elegant tannins | Complex aromatic and flavour profile

Winemaking

Fermentation: De-stemmed | Left on skins for 8-10 days | Slow ferment at 15-18°C | Open pump-overs and hand plunging | Basket pressed

Oak: French – 65% new, 35% 2nd use | Natural malolactic fermentation | 22 months maturation

Tech. Analysis: Alcohol - 14.8% | pH - 3.67 | Acid - 6.4g/L | RS - <1.0g/L

Noteworthy Dates

Harvested: 26th February - 11th March 2014 | Bottled: February 2016 | Re-released: August 2020

Sensorial Information

Profile: Blackberry | Raspberry | Chocolate | Tobacco leaf | Balsamic | Spice

Texture: Fresh and vibrant | Outstanding balance | Exceptional palate length | Powerful vet poised

Characteristics

Animal: Wedge-Tailed Eagle
Vehicle: Ferrari Roma
Musical: Grand Piano





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