



Rosemount Estate

Shiraz 2001

Shiraz is the most widely planted red grape variety in Australia. It is known for producing outstanding rich reds with a classic spicy finish. Shiraz has long been recognised for growing particularly well in warmer and drier regions such as those of South Australia and Mudgee in New South Wales. In these environments, it achieves a richness of varietal character and depth of concentration that best suits our Diamond Label style.

Regional Source

The grapes for this wine were sourced predominantly from our vineyards in South Australia's McLaren Vale and Langhorne Creek, with a proportion from Mudgee in New South Wales and also Murray River Valley.

Vintage Conditions

The 2001 season was characterized by ideal spring conditions and a warmer than average summer. Spring rains encouraged strong growth, flowering and fruit set. Rosemount's well-established vineyards came to the fore in these conditions, thriving in the summer heat and producing ripe fruit of great richness and character.

Grape Variety

Shiraz (Syrah)

Maturation

Some of the wine was fermented in old traditional open vats and headed down producing a softer, plummy style, others in red wine fermenters with regular pumping over to extract colour, structure and flavour. Aged in American oak for 6 months.

Winemaker Comments: Andrew Koerner



Colour

A bright blood plum/purple colour with excellent clarity.



Nose

The lifted, vibrant nose is packed with ripe fruit and showing clear varietal character. A lightly peppery aroma of blood plum and red cherry is highlighted by chocolate and spice and supported by subtle sweet, charry oak.



Palate

The palate is also clearly varietal with the focused dark berry fruit and spice characteristic of the Shiraz grape. Ripe blackberry and cassis flavours are encased by soft spice with fine-grained tannins and careful oak treatment ensuring the traditional Rosemount long, richly textured finish.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 14.0%

Last Tasted

7 Dec 2001

Peak Drinking

Now - 2005

Food Matches

Ideally suited to Pasta, Lamb

