



2010 SHIRAZ
RIVERSDALE VINEYARD
FRANKLAND RIVER, GREAT SOUTHERN



THE VINTAGE & WINEMAKING

Frankland River is arguably the premier shiraz growing sub-region of Western Australia, recognised for its distinctive black fruit and black pepper characters. The Riversdale vineyard, planted in 1997, displays these distinctive Frankland River characters in spades and is well suited to a more opulent, fuller bodied style of shiraz to contrast with the cooler climate Singlefile Mount Barker syrah.

The fruit for this wine was picked on 12th April 2010. Fermentation took place in open fermenters and maceration was gentle and lasted for 22 days. The wine was then aged in low toast French oak barriques for ten months and aged in bottle for a further fifteen months before release.

THE WINE

This wine displays dark fruit aromas with spice and earthiness. The full bodied savoury palate of pepper, spice and tobacco is complemented by blackberries and hints of cocoa which persist through to the finish. It is a full bodied style shiraz of power and complexity but with silky tannins and a refined delicacy.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Picking date: 12th April 2010 Alc: 14.5% pH: 3.70 TA: 5.6g/L rs: 0g/L

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