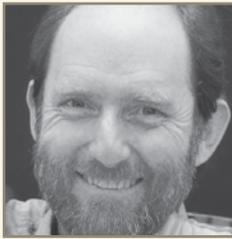


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2007 BROKENWOOD HUNTER VALLEY SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER: Iain Riggs
REGION: Hunter Valley, New South Wales
VARIETALS: Shiraz
MATURATION: 14 months in American oak barriques
ANALYSIS: 13.5% alc/vol | 6.2g/L TA | 3.38 pH

VINTAGE NOTES:

The lead up to the 2007 harvest mirrored that of 2003, bar a downpour of rain in the middle of winter. The actual vintage conditions were very similar, including moderate heat throughout the growing season and low crops resulting in impressive intensity of fruit flavors.

WINEMAKING:

Winemaking inputs were kept to a minimum as usual, in order to preserve the fruit's inherent flavors and quality. Fermentation took place in a combination of open and closed stainless steel fermenters with twice-daily plunging. After 7 days the wine was pressed off, with malolactic fermentation completed in tank prior to 14 months of barrel aging in American oak barriques.

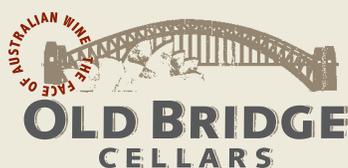
TASTING NOTES:

The 2007 Hunter Valley Shiraz is of medium color density with youthful crimson hues. Aromas of mocha, dark chocolate and charry bramble integrate nicely with savory, blackberry fruits typical of the Hunter. The palate leads with dark cherry and ripe plum, it's abundant fruit carrying the spicy, vanillin oak nicely. Soft tannins combine with the Hunter's regional savory notes for a food-friendly finish to this old-world Shiraz.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 92 pts - Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, 90 pts - Wine Enthusiast, 87 pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate

ABOUT BROKENWOOD:

A benchmark Australian winery founded in 1970 by Sydney trio Tony Albert, John Beeston and Australia's leading wine critic, James Halliday, Brokenwood evolved from a weekend venture for these self-professed hobby winemakers into one of Australia's most reputable wine labels. With the appointment of winemaker, Iain Riggs, in 1982, the company extended its range to include the jewel of the Hunter Valley, Semillon and is known for producing one of the nation's most iconic single vineyard wines, The Graveyard Shiraz.



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