



2008 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN SHIRAZ

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| WINEMAKER: | Kevin Mitchell |
| REGION: | South Australia |
| VARIETALS: | Shiraz |
| MATURATION: | Matured in small American and French oak barriques |
| ALCOHOL: | 14.5% alc/vol |

BACKGROUND:

Named after a legendary Clare Valley squatter, Killerman, who planted and tended vines on a paddock adjoining the Kilikanoon property, this range consists of the Killerman's Run Shiraz, Killerman's Run Cabernet Sauvignon, and Killerman's Run Shiraz Grenache.

WINEMAKING:

The Killerman's Run Shiraz is sourced from premium areas of South Australia. Hand-selected fruit parcels, maturation in American and French oak casks for up to two years and attention to final blending has ensured a wine of great poise and balance.

TASTING NOTES:

Intense brick red in color with youthful crimson hues, the 2008 Killerman's Run Shiraz has rich notes of plums and dark chocolate that overwhelm the nose, supported by spicy oak char. The palate is beautifully rounded and flavored. Sweet plum fruits and chocolate characters carry over from the nose, with spicy oak notes and gentle tannins lending length and complexity. This wine has both power and finesse that showcases the appeal of Australian Shiraz - richly fruit driven, balanced and powerful.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

90 pts/Editors' Choice Wine Enthusiast, 89 pts Stephen Tanzer, 89 pts Robert Parker

ABOUT KILIKANOON:

Founded in 1997 by Kevin Mitchell, Kilikanoon is a boutique Clare Valley winery with an international reputation for producing regionally expressive, terroir-driven wines. The Kilikanoon property, featuring a circa 1860s stone cottage housing Kilikanoon tasting room, was originally settled by early English migrants who named it after an historic old mansion in Cornwall. On purchasing the property in the 1990s, Kevin Mitchell inherited 30 year old Shiraz, Cabernet, Grenache and Riesling vineyards, many of which were planted by his father, Mort, in the 1960s. Fifteen years on, with the addition of partners Nathan Waks, a principal cellist with the Sydney Symphony, and Bruce Baudinet, Managing Director of Oracle Estates, Kilikanoon is rated by US and Australian critics as one of the Clare Valley's outstanding wineries, producing bracingly intense and long-lived Rieslings, along with powerful, yet balanced, Shiraz, Grenache and Cabernet Sauvignon.



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