

2005 KILIKANOON ORACLE SHIRAZ

Review Summary



BEST SHIRAZ WORLDWIDE

International Shiraz Trophy London 2008 International Wine Challenge

95 pts "A powerful, concentrated wine reflecting all the vineyard and winery inputs; focused and rich, retaining supple mouthfeel and good balance. Low yield, French oak, no filtration."

James Halliday 2009 Wine Companion

93 pts "Deep garnet-brick in color, the 2005 Shiraz Oracle offers spiced notes with dried berries, mocha, espresso and licorice. This big, rich and full-bodied red is spicy and plush, has medium levels of soft tannins and just enough acid freshness. It finishes long."

Lisa Perrotti-Brown The Wine Advocate February 2013

93 pts "This is polished, focused and beautifully expressive, with seductive blackberry, cream, sweet leather and spice flavors waxing and persisting through the long generous finish."

Harvey Steiman Wine Spectator, Great Australian Reds October 15, 2008

92 pts "The 2005 Shiraz "Oracle" was aged in 100% French oak, 50% new. Purple-colored, it exhibits aromas of cedar, damp earth, mint, blueberry, and blackberry. Made in a focused, racy, elegant style, it has luscious flavors, excellent balance, and a long, pure finish. It has several years of aging potential but can be enjoyed now and over the next 15 years."

Jay Miller Robert Parker's Wine Advocate October 2007, Issue 173



92 pts "A full bore Australian shiraz, the 2005 Kilikanoon Oracle Shiraz spent 24 months in a combination of new and year old hogsheads. It's packed with decadent plum and blackberry fruit, violets and spice. Pepper and leafy herbs add complexity with air, but this seems to be all about the fruit. Full bodied and lush on the palate, the wine is beautifully textured, soft, supple and long. A real crowd pleaser."

Jebb Dunnuck's The Rhone Report June 2010

92 pts "Youthful, opaque ruby. Explosively perfumed nose offers an exotic bouquet of ripe, oak-spiced blackberry, cassis and candied plum, along with Indian spices and cola. Deep, fleshy dark fruit flavors boast liqueur-like concentration and sweetness, with soft tannins gaining strength with aeration. A huge, palate-staining and undeniably impressive Shiraz that will please fans of the type immensely."

Josh Raynolds Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar Jul/Aug 2008