



2008 KILIKANOON COVENANT SHIRAZ

Review Summary



★★★★★ **94 pts** “Strong color; the bouquet is flush with black fruits, spice, licorice and oak, the full-bodied palate picking up the theme and amplifying its volume; the wine has good tannins, and demands time to slim down.”

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion
2012

92 pts - Editor's Choice “This plush, fruit-driven style of Shiraz displays aromas that resemble a cross between Nilla Wafers and graham crackers spread with berry preserves. The flavors follow along similar lines, underscored by hints of chocolate and coffee on the lingering finish.”

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
February 2013

91 pts “An outstanding Shiraz that comes from the Leasingham district of the Clare Valley, the 2008 Kilikanoon Shiraz Covenant, aged for 22 months in new and used French and American oak, delivers first-rate, spice-laden aromas of blackberry and cassis styled fruit that's intermixed with notions of vanilla, pepper, and underbrush on the nose. Rich, rounded, and impressively balanced, with a concentrated mid-palate, sweet fruit, and good acidity, this is delicious now, yet should have no problem evolving gracefully for 4-6 years.”

Jeb Dunnuck, The Rhone Report
March 2012

91 pts “Glass-staining purple. Violet, blueberry and licorice on the aromatic nose. Lush and sweet on the palate, with oak-spiced flavors of black and blue fruits, candied flowers and mocha. The finish is smooth and broad, with supple tannins and very good, sappy persistence. Nicely balanced for a big wine.”

Josh Raynolds, Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar
July/August 2011



90 pts “Very deep garnet-purple colored, the 2008 Covenant Shiraz presents aromas of Chinese dried plums, mulberries and black cherry pie over mocha, anise and cloves. Full bodied and generously fruited in the mouth, it has very crisp acid and a medium to firm level of chewy tannins, finishing long with hints of stewed tea. Drink this one now to 2017.”

**Lisa Perrotti-Brown, eRobertParker.com, Issue #199
February 2012**

90 pts “Plush, generous and well-focused, with fresh tasting cherry and pomegranate flavors that meld nicely with mineral and white pepper notes, lingering against refined tannins.”

**Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator
July 31, 2011**

