

Shoofly



## 2011 SHOOFLY SHIRAZ

**WINEMAKER:** Ben Riggs  
**REGION:** McLaren Vale, Langhorne Creek, Padthaway, Wrattenbully - South Australia  
**VARIETALS:** Shiraz  
**MATURATION:** 10 months in seasoned American and French oak  
**ANALYSIS:** 14.5% alc/vol | TA 7.0 g/l | pH 3.47

### WINEMAKING:

Ben Riggs, Shoofly's winemaker, is a South Australian native who knows his stuff and where to get it. His roster of grape growers is one of the most sought after contact lists in the country. McLaren Vale's temperate maritime climate offers reds of rich, ripe fruit character and great acid balance. Langhorne Creek, a "cool desert" situated on the Fleurieu Peninsula, produces soft, fruit-driven wines while Clare Valley enjoys a cool and continental climate, perfect for producing spicy fruit characters.

### TASTING NOTES:

On the nose, the 2011 Shiraz reveals aromas of sweet red fruit and light, Asian spices. The supple red fruits carry across to the elegant palate and give way to complex nutmeg, tamarind, earth and eucalypt notes. The vibrant red fruit runs the length of the palate and lingers with a "have another glass" finish.

### CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

89 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

### ABOUT SHOOFLY:

Australians are serious about keeping their cool. They may look relaxed as they casually shoo away the incessantly buzzing flies, but the message is clear - nothing's going to get them down! They tend to take life's challenges in stride and simply get on with the job at hand. Like making wines with some oomph and stuffing, the sort you'd just as likely tuck into with your midweek pasta and take to a fancy dinner party on the weekend. That said, they take their winemaking pretty seriously, and it shows with Shoofly's collection of robust, full-of-flavor wines. Crafted from hand-selected vineyard sites that are rich in character and demonstrate true varietal pedigree, these are wines that show Australia at its best.



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