



2014 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN GSM

WINEMAKER:	Kevin Mitchell
REGION:	Clare Valley, South Australia
VARIETALS:	Grenache (50%), Shiraz (40%), Mourvedre (10%)
MATURATION:	16 months in seasoned French oak hogsheads
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 and as legend has it, made his own wines in a galvanized iron lean-to.

WINEMAKING:

Low yielding grapes from premium vineyards were hand-selected from exclusively Clare Valley vineyards then vinified by traditional winemaking methods and matured in French hogsheads before careful blending and bottling. Unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES:

Enticing aromas of earthy spices, fermented meats, subtle oak char and incense awaken the senses. The palate is a seamless and noble blend of earthiness, riper plum notes, wood smoke and cured meats with silky, natural tannins and classy retained acidity. A complex and focused wine that will reward 10 - 12 years in the cellar.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

89 pts Wine Spectator

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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