



2014 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKER:	Kevin Mitchell
REGION:	Clare Valley, South Australia
VARIETALS:	Cabernet Sauvignon
MATURATION:	18 months in French oak barriques (10% new)
ANALYSIS:	14.0% 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 galvanised iron lean-to.

WINEMAKING:

The grapes are sourced from the cool climate vineyards of the Clare Valley, South Australia. Hand-selected fruit parcels, maturation in new and older small French oak casks for up to two years and attention to final blending has ensured a wine of great poise and balance.

TASTING NOTES:

Generally a warm and dry vintage, 2014 provided near ideal ripening conditions. The Clare Valley's celebrated terroir and elevation is essential for retaining high natural acidities, fruit freshness and fine grained tannins. The 2014 Killerman's Cabernet Sauvignon has a generously proportioned nose of cassis, smoky oak and ripe truffles. On the palate it is full flavored, plush and dark, with deep notes of blackberry and blackcurrants, all ensconced in subtle oak and fruit tannins. It has a cellaring potential of at least 12 years.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

90 pts Wine Enthusiast, 90 pts Vinous, 88 pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate

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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