

2010 KILIKANOON ORACLE SHIRAZ



Review Summary

96 pts "With a flamboyant nose of barbecue smoke, cassis, blackberries and mulberries, the 2010 Oracle Shiraz is a terrific effort. Full-bodied and velvety in texture, it adds hints of cola-like spice on the lengthy finish. It's balanced between fruity and savory, young and old, and it appears to be at its peak. Drink it over the next several years."

Joe Czerwinski Robert Parker's Wine Advocate February 2020

95+ pts "Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2010 Shiraz Oracle is redolent of blueberry preserves, macerated black fruits, cassis and aniseed with a touch of Provencal herbs and mint. Mediumbodied, crisp and framed by medium to firm velvety tannins, it is fresh and finishes long. It is a more restrained, elegant style of wine that should age wonderfully."

Lisa Perrotti-Brown Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate February 2013

95 pts "Superb aromas of tar, asphalt, spice and black fruits. Then turns to smoked meat. Fullbodied with ultra-fine and polished tannins that give the wine supreme finesse and elegance. What a finish. Love the tannin and acid balance."

> Nick Stock JamesSuckling.com December 11, 2015

95 pts "Once again, impenetrable color, yet there is a lift to the perfume redolent of fresh crushed blackberry, vine sap, mocha and spicy oak that is alluring; the palate is thickly textured on entry, with juicy acidity providing lift and lightness on the long and fine-grained tannin finish."

James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2014



94 – Editors' Choice "This is a full-bodied, creamy-textured Shiraz that manages to retain a sense of poise at the same time. Cedar, vanilla and baking spices frame a lush mix of red and black berry fruit, yet this is no mere fruit bomb, adding hints of roast meat and mocha."

Joe Czerwinski Wine Enthusiast March 2015

94 pts "A deep, inky mouthful of black, from blackberry to black licorice. Blackberry pie, smoked meat, and pepper aromas flow from the glass. Blackberry pie, rich with jammy fruit, vanilla, and buttery crust, leads on the palate. Layers of flavors build from attack through midpalate, including black licorice, tar, pepper, coconut, and the smoky crisp end of a prime rib. Fine tannins have a strong grip. Pair this big wine with a big steak, a big well-marbled ribeye glistening with fat. Highly Recommended."

David Honig PalatePress.com December 26, 2013

93 pts "Dark purple. Sexy aromas of cherry-cola, blueberry, potpourri and woodsmoke, plus a hint of anise. Pliant, deeply concentrated black and blue flavors are complemented by bitter chocolate and licorice and given snap by zesty acidity. Velvety tannins add support and grip to the sappy, alluringly sweet finish, which strongly repeats the blueberry note."

Josh Raynolds Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar July/August 2013

91 pts "Clean, black and potent, this is laden with blueberry fruitiness and new oak. Scents of violets and mineral-inflected tannins add layers to this rich, fruity style."

Joshua Greene Wine & Spirits Magazine October 2013