



2009 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER:	Kevin Mitchell
REGION:	South Australia
VARIETALS:	Shiraz
MATURATION:	Matured in small American and French oak barriques
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, this range consists of the Killerman's Run Shiraz, Killerman's Run Cabernet Sauvignon, and Killerman's Run Shiraz Grenache.

WINEMAKING:

Low yielding grapes from premium vineyards were hand-selected from a range of South Australian vineyards then vinified by traditional winemaking methods and matured in small French and American oak casks before careful blending and bottling unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES:

Intense brick red in color with youthful crimson hues, the 2009 Killerman's Run Shiraz has both power and finesse that showcases the appeal of Australian Shiraz - richly fruit driven, balanced and powerful. The aromas are abundant while the palate is beautifully textural and persistent. Both perfectly link ripened plum fruits, dark chocolate and spice with quality oak char and natural fine grained tannins.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

91 pts/*Editors' Choice* Wine Enthusiast, 90 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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