



2011 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKER: Kevin Mitchell
REGION: South Australia
VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon
MATURATION: 18 months in French oak barriques (10% new)
ANALYSIS: 14.0% alc/vol | 6.14 g/L TA | 3.49 pH

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 premium areas of South Australia. Hand-selected fruit parcels, maturation in new and older small French oak casks for two years and attention to final blending has ensured a wine of great poise and balance.

TASTING NOTES:

The alluring notes of dark cherries, licorice and choc-mint flavors combine sensually on the nose, beautifully intertwined with quality French oak spices. Densely layered and textural in style, yet one of surprising elegance and length. The dark cherry and choc-mint flavours from the nose carrying over to the palate, nicely complemented by the fine tannins and natural acidity.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

2013 WINERY OF THE YEAR Australian Wine Companion, **88 pts** Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, **88 pts** Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

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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