

2017 OCCAM'S RAZOR SHIRAZ

Review Summary



93 pts/Cellar Selection "This is the label of Emily McNally, whose family owns the renowned Jasper Hill winery. Grown in granite soils, this is a hearty yet harmonious Victoria Shiraz. A tang of red fruit and plums is under-laid with soft tones of flowers, mocha, bay leaf and Christmas spices. Muscular yet fine-grained, textural tannins are juxtaposed with a lift of acidity. Oak is neatly tucked away. One has to do a double take to realize the 15.5% alcohol, since it's far from obvious."

Christina Pickard
Wine Enthusiast
December 2020

93 pts "Shows an air of elegance to the wild blueberry and blackberry flavors. Despite the intensity and muscular structure, the flavors stand up to the tannins, mingling effortlessly with Earl Grey tea, vanilla and clove accents. A touch of fresh foam lingers in the background."

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator
December 15, 2019

93 pts "Glass-staining ruby. Pungent dark fruit preserve, floral, espresso and vanilla scents take on a spicy aspect with air. Stains the palate with sweet, concentrated, smoke-tinged cherry preserve, blackberry, candied licorice and vanilla flavors supported by a core of juicy acidity. Closes long, smooth and spicy, with rounded, even tannins adding gentle grip."

Josh Raynolds
Vinous
September 2022

90 pts "Always a big, lusty wine with overtones of chocolate and spice, the 2017 Shiraz fits that stylistic mold to a T. Aromas of dark chocolate, cinnamon, plums and raspberries appear on the nose, while the full-bodied palate is plush and ripe, with just enough tannin to hold things together before easing into a soft, cocoa-powder finish."

Joe Czerwinski
Robert Parker Wine Advocate
May 14, 2020