

2019 YERINGBERG SHIRAZ



WINEMAKER: Guill and Sandra de Pury
REGION: Yarra Valley, Victoria
VARIETALS: Shiraz
MATURATION: 19 months in 100% French oak hogsheads (28% new)
ANALYSIS: 13.5% alc/vol | 6.1 g/L TA | 3.52 pH

WINEMAKING: As always, the grapes were handpicked and carefully sorted. The Shiraz grapes were in outstanding condition in 2019 so the team on the sorting table had very little work to do. Ferments were in five small tanks, and treated differently ie fully destemmed and crushed; whole berries; whole bunches under destemmed fruit and 100% whole bunch. Pressed after 12 days. Whole bunch average 12%. The wine was matured in barrel (28% new) for 19 months with several rackings to gradually clarify and remove sediment.

TASTING NOTES: The 2019 Shiraz demonstrates again that our part of the Yarra can produce wonderfully spicy, elegant and ageworthy Shiraz. An energetic array of blueberry, white pepper, and bayleaf aromas leap from the glass, followed by Moroccan spice notes, licorice, & dark cherry. The palate has brightness and energy as well as a beguiling subtle, savory depth. The fruit rides on the back of a powerful yet perfectly pitched tannic framework that provides wonderful drive, and delivers a wine of freshness and length. The wine evolves beautifully, settling into its frame and showing lovely poise, control and lingering complexity.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 95 pts Halliday Wine Companion, 93 pts The Wine Front, 91 pts Wine Spectator, 90 pts Wine Enthusiast

ABOUT YERINGBERG: Yeringberg was established in 1863 on pristine, cool climate vineyards in the Coldstream area of Yarra Valley. Guill de Pury and daughter Sandra make wines for the new millennium from the low-yielding vines re-established in the heart - just nine acres - of what was one of the most famous (and infinitely larger) vineyards of the 19th century. In the riper years, the red wines have a velvety generosity of flavor rarely encountered, while never losing varietal character; the long-lived Marsanne Roussanne takes students of history back to Yeringberg's fame in the 19th century.

