

2022 JASPER HILL GEORGIA'S PADDOCK SHIRAZ



Review Summary

97 pts/Highly Recommended "This stunner oozes with fresh and preserved fruit flavors of blackberry, huckleberry and blueberry, followed by wave after wave of details including spices, rosemary, date nut bread, mocha, tobacco, palo santo, salted black licorice and tapenade on a plush, creamy frame, with a long, expressive finish. Drink now through 2037."

> MaryAnn Worobiec Wine Spectator December 15, 2024

96 pts "Georgia's Paddock is back, no longer supplemented by fruit grown by friends following some challenging vintages. Sports slightly higher alcohol than usual (15.5%), but it's carried well, managed by firm structural tannins. A youngster, it deserves a thorough slosh before serving, time to release those captive aromas and flavors of briar, blackcurrant, plum, blueberry, savory olive and spice. Full-bodied but lively, it delivers a powerful presence in the glass, seamless and firm, dark fruited and spicy, running deep and long to the finish."

> Jeni Port **Halliday Wine Companion** December 2023

94 pts "The 2022 Georgia's Paddock Shiraz leads with blackberry jam and salted licorice, pastrami, tobacco, alpine mint, arnica, coffee grounds and forest berries. It is inky and black, and yet the tannins have a drying effect through the finish. There is an aspect of the luxurious nature of this wine that is very appealing, and this will attract many. However, my concern is that when fruit is picked late enough to achieve the flavors that they do here, it can come at the expense of freshness and suppleness of tannin. While I believe this wine is still very much in balance, it is pushing the line of ripeness, for my palate. Yet it's a style, and it's done very well here—and better than many, I might add, who shoot for this same impact. 15.5% alcohol, sealed under natural cork.

> **Erin Larkin** May 2024