

Kay Brothers Block 6 Shiraz

"Highlights"

2018

• 97 - WINE ADVOCATE, August 31, 2021

"From vines planted in 1892...Aged in 40% new French and American oak, the cedar, grilled meat and vanilla accents are there, but they're just part of a compelling package that includes notes of blackberries, licorice, black olives and intricate herbal complexities of sage, thyme and the like. Full-bodied and concentrated it's structured yet supple, powerful yet elegant, with a long, velvety finish, imply a terrific example of Block 6 - perhaps the best I've had the privilege to taste. Impressive now, it really deserves a few years in the cellar and it should drink well for up to two decades."

• 96 - JAMES HALLIDAY - THE AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION, August 13, 2021

"From 126yo vines and a traditional approach to vinification. Fine bonded. Powerful, sure, but there is a stridency to the fruit rather than a stolidness. Maritime Shiraz, at its best, has a cooler side to violet, bergamot, boysenberry, anise and clove scents. The pepper-clad acidity, vibrant and pulling the melee long. The oak, ample, but not exaggerated. Intense, compact, fragrant and ready for the long haul."

• 91 - WINE ENTHUSIAST, April 2022 Issue

2017

• 97 - JAMES HALLIDAY – THE AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION, August 2020

"...If there was an iron fist in a velvet glove this is it, but with one qualification: the iron fist was created by a master sculptor, the wine is quite special, and fully deserving its price."

- 95 DECANTER, 2020
- 94 JAMES SUCKLING, 2020
- 94-96 WINE ADVOCATE, 2018
- 93 WINE & SPIRITS, 2020
- 92 WINE ENTHUSIAST, 2020
- 90 WINE SPECTATOR, 2020

2016

- 97 JAMES HALLIDAY THE AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION, 2019
- 96 WINE ADVOCATE, 2018
- 92 WINE & SPIRITS, 2020

2015

• 96 - HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION, 2019

"No question the fruit would be handpicked, as those gnarly 123yo vines deserve respect. Mesmerizing for its complexity and balance of flavors, everything in its place with the oak seamlessly integrated (23 months in French and American puncheons, 40% new). Defining velvety tannins are glorious on the long finish."

- 96 WINE ADVOCATE, 2018
- 92 'CELLAR SELECTION' WINE ENTHUSIAST, Dec. 2018