



Kay Brothers Block 6 Shiraz

“Highlights”

2014

- **93 - WINE & SPIRITS**, *Feb. 2017*

“Herbert and Frederick Kay began planting their Amery Vineyard in 1891, with cuttings of shiraz, riesling and cabernet from Tintara. The site is between Seaview and Blewitt Springs, where the soils at the four acres of Block 6 range from red loam to heavy clay downhill to gravelly, alluvial soils. Third-generation Colin Kay trained in oenology and started making this singleblock wine in 1984 with his father, Cuthbert. These vines are now 122 years old, Colin is 76 and the wine is made by Duncan Kennedy in the family's original open-top fermenters-a style of winemaking that perks up shiraz with a touch of volatility, keeping it vibrant, with classic McLaren Vale scents of tar and roses and a cool undertone to the sunny fruit...”

2014

- **91 – ‘CELLAR SELECTION’ WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *Apr. 2017*

“...Hints of vanilla and tobacco leaf add nuance to a mix of berries ranging from red raspberry to black currant, but there's also a hint of bruised fruit and a green toughness to the tannins...”

2013

- **96 – James Halliday**, *Australian Wine Companion, 2017*

“From 121 year old estate vines, open-fermented, 15 days cold soak with 17 days further skin contact, matured for 19 months in French oak (33% new). An extremely complex wine, juicy fruits of every color and description engaged in an Indian arm wrestle with briary/spicy/savory tannins, French oak the timekeeper, not engaged in the wrestle. Australia is lucky to have wines such as this.”

- **94+ - WINE ADVOCATE**, #226, *August 2016*
- **93 – ‘CELLAR SELECTION’ – WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *August 2018*

“Kay Brother’s top wine, made from over 120 year old vines on this historic estate, is a dense thicket of ripe bramble berries still on the bush. There’s also a strong exotic savory element, soy sauce, raw beef and Chinese 5 spice. Earthy eastern spices carry through to the palate which is supported by chewy, tight-grained tannins. Everything is in place for this to age with grace for many years to come...”

- **92 WINE & SPIRITS**, *October 2016*

2012

- **95 – WINE ADVOCATE** #220, *Aug. 2015*
- **95 – James Halliday –THE AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION**, *Jul 27, 2015*
- **93 – VINOUS**, *March 2016*
- **96 – WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *April 1, 2016*
- **91 –WINE SPECTATOR**, *Aug. 31, 2015*

2011

- **94 – James Halliday –THE AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION**, *July 26, 2014*
- **93+ WINE ADVOCATE** #211, *Feb. 2014*
- **92 – VINOUS**, *March 2016*

2010

- **95+ WINE ADVOCATE** #211, *Feb. 2014*

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