

SHIRVINGTON®

McLAREN VALE SHIRAZ FINE WINE OF AUSTRALIA 750ML

Shirvington Shiraz “Highlights”

2012

- **91 – WINE ADVOCATE #220, Aug. 2015**

“Deep garnet with hints of purple, the 2012 Shiraz has aromas of preserved plums, mulberries and baked black cherries with spice cake, chocolate box and licorice hints. Full-bodied, rich and seductive with loads of spice and velvety tannins, it has great freshness and finishes with great length.”

2011

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

“The wine is intensely scented of warm blackberries, mulberries and preserved plums with nuances of menthol, incense and cinnamon stick. Full-bodied and packed with blackberry preserves and spice box flavors, it presents a seamless foundation of medium level, velvety tannins and lively acid before finishing with very good length.”

- **92 – VINOUS, March 2016**

“Inky ruby. Potent smoke-and spice-accented dark berry and licorice aromas, with sexy oak spices and floral accents adding complexity. Sweet and penetrating on the palate, offering juicy blackcurrant and cherry flavors that unwind and pick up spiciness with aeration. Shows a refreshingly bitter quality on a long, spicy finish framed by slow-building, harmonious tannins. On the forward side for this bottling, which is no surprise given the rainy conditions of the vintage.”

2010

- **94+ WINE ADVOCATE #205, Mar. 2013**
- **93 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, Apr. 1, 2014**

“Recent tastings included a number of top-flight McLaren Vale Shirazes from the 2010 vintage. This one shows a bit of smoky oak upfront, which serves to frame the potent blackberry fruit and prevent it from coming across as overly jammy. Instead, it’s rich and velvety, concentrated but still drinkable, with a long, long finish.”

2009

- **94 – WINE ADVOCATE #199, Feb. 2012**

“The 2009 Shiraz was 100% barrel fermented and aged for 17 months in 60% new oak (65% French and 35% American). Very deep purple-black colored, it reveals aromas of creme de cassis, blackberry compote, dried mulberries and spice cake with underlying hints of cinnamon stick, toast, anise, cedar and sandalwood. The palate is very full bodied and voluptuous, packed with warm blackberry and spice flavors and supported with refreshing acid and a firm level of grainy tannins. The finish is long and complex with some youthful oakiness. It should drink best 2013 to 2021+.”

2008

- **92 – WINE ADVOCATE #192, Dec. 2010**

“Shirvington’s 2008 Shiraz gives a deep garnet-purple color and intense notes of warm black cherries and black raspberries over anise, chocolate box, allspice and vanilla pod. Very full-bodied and concentrated with 16% declared alcohol, this is a big mouthful yet well balanced with crisp acidity and medium-firm fine tannins, finishing long. Approachable now, it should blossom with another couple of years in bottle and drink through 2020+.”

- **91 – ‘One of the Year’s Best Aussie Wines’ WINE & SPIRITS, Oct. 2010**

“Oak softens some of the juicy blueberry fruit and mineral power, but not enough to polish away the florals or the iron edge. It smells old fashioned and feels new fangled until the wine eats its oak with a day of air and the classic side of McLaren prevails.”

2007

- **92 – WINE ADVOCATE, Dec. 2009**

2006

- **95 – WINE ADVOCATE, Oct. 2007**

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