Geoff Merrill Shiraz Pimpala Road 2022



Region

Located just 30 minutes drive south east of Adelaide and parallel to the coast, these rolling hillside vineyards produce some of Australia`s finest Shiraz and Grenache based red wines. Some of the areas historic old wineries were established in the late 1800s and many remain today. With a strong regional identity on the international stage, the wines have a distinctive style and subtlely achieved from a combination of very warm summers, mild winters and cooling sea breezes. Many of Australia`s most famous and expensive wines have their vineyard origins within this region.

Producer

Geoff Merrill was born in 1953 and was raised on a sheep station in the far north of South Australia until he was 11 years old. The Merrill family then moved to the Barossa Valley, just north of Adelaide, where Geoff`s first links with the wine industry were formed. Following his `apprenticeship` at Chateau Reynella, in 1985 he purchased the historic Mount Hurtle winery. Reknowned for his handle-bar moustache and friendship with many of crickets elite, his talents were rewarded in 2005 when he received the legendary Jimmy Watson Trophy, probably Australia`s most prestigious wine award, named after the iconic Jimmy Watson`s Wine Bar in Melbourne.

Tasting Notes

A strong, spicy varietal from south Australia with fruit from three key areas Langhorne Creek, McLaren Vale and Riverland, areas renowned for producing some of Australia`s greatest Shiraz wines. It is well balanced with complex rich, expressive leathery palate and a hint of smoky American oak. Soft tannins and intense red berry fruit continue on the long finish with intense flavours of dark chocolate and spice.

Food

Barbecued meats, spicy sausages, pasta with ragu sauce, Thai red curries, pumpkin and roasted vegetables.

Technical Information

Country	Australia
Region	McLaren Vale
Grape(s)	Shiraz (100%)
Type	Red
Style	Juicy
Oaked Style	Lightly oaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	No

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Alcohol Content	14.5%	
Closure Style	Screw cap	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:**	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:**	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes

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