



FINE AUSTRALIAN WINES

# METAL LABEL THE BLACK SHIRAZ

*Forged from the Limestone Coast, our Metal Label range refines standalone varietals into something exceptional.*

## Harvest Report 2017

Average annual temperatures resulted in typical budburst with most varieties. A mild summer and cool nights resulted in a long ripening period with good fresh fruit flavors. Fruit was harvested late February to early March in the middle of the night under cool conditions allowing for fresh fruit flavor and minimum oxidation. The 2017 reds stand out with rich, ripe and juicy characteristics with great length and depth of color.

## Tasting Notes

The black Shiraz is a bold example of the Australian style Shiraz with deep color and aromas of blackberry and plum with notes of spicy oak. The palate is intense with rich plum, blueberry and mocha notes. The tannins are dense and balanced allowing for great structure and a lengthy finish.

<b>Composition:</b>	100% Shiraz
<b>Harvest:</b>	By Hand
<b>Vintage:</b>	March, 2017
<b>Region:</b>	Limestone Coast
<b>Sub-Regions:</b>	Coonawarra, Padthaway
<b>Maceration:</b>	Yes
<b>Fermentation:</b>	Selected yeasts, 65—75°F, 6 days
<b>Malolactic:</b>	Yes
<b>Aging:</b>	3 months in French Oak
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.9%
<b>pH:</b>	3.50
<b>Total Acidity:</b>	7.40 g/L
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	4.00 g/L

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