

# 2012 Oracle Shiraz

#### PLACE

Clare Valley.

Crafted from old vine fruit grown along the golden hillside in Leasingham, it continues to display the opulence, regional character and varietal power the valley is so renown for.



## VITICULTURE

A standout vintage, 2012 has been compared very closely with the famous 2002 vintage, with the ripening and harvest conditions consisting of warm days, cool nights with minimal rainfall and no disease pressure what so ever; perfect ingredients in the production of long lived, flavoursome Shiraz wines.

### WINEMAKING

Low yielding Shiraz parcels were chosen across our golden hillside vineyards, vinfied separately using time honoured traditional techniques, then aged for 20 months in a selection of new and one year old French oak hogsheads. Bottling occurred without any fining or filtration.



### **SENSORY**

Colour: Brick red in colour with youthful crimson hues.

Aroma: Elevated notes of ripe plums, dark chocolate, exotic spices and charry oak influences enliven the senses.

Palate: A balanced and focused palate, the flavours of fresh berries, cherry plums and dark chocolate feature predominantly, beautifully enhanced and complexed by the long lived natural tannins and classy French oak. A wine easily consumed whilst young but with clear rewards to those you choose to cellar for longer.

### ANALYSIS

Residual Sugar 1.7 g/L Alcohol 14.5% v/v

### CELLARING

Potential of at least 12 - 16 years with careful cellaring.

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