







WINEMAKER'S SELECTION HUNTER VALLEY VAT 9 SHIRAZ 2011

VINEYARD – The fruit for the 2011 Vat 9 Shiraz was sourced from Tyrrell's super premium vineyards on the Ashman's property with an average vine age of 50 years. Predominately from the Weinkeller and Short Flat vineyards.

SOIL - Deep, red volcanic clay over limestone.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS – A late start to Spring which led into a cool November and December, set us up nicely for a good vintage. January brought with it ten days of above average warm weather which helped ripen the fruit perfectly picking began in the second week of February, one week later than the 2010 vintage.

YIELD - 2.5 tonnes per acre

DATE PICKED - 15 & 18 February 2011

WINEMAKER'S NOTES – Hand picked and fermented in open top fermenters, the wine was then matured in new and one year old French oak casks (2700L) for 16 months prior to bottling in late May 2012.

WINE ANALYSIS – Alc 12.9%

pH 3.32

TA 7.42g/L

DATE BOTTLED – 30 May 2012

TASTING NOTES – Bright purple in colour. Fresh savoury spice and lifted red berry nose with a subtle oak lift. The palate is medium bodied showing soft sweet fruits. The oak enhancing the mid palate which is extended by the fine clean acid structure. A seamless, creamy textured wine in complete balance.

AWARDS - The 2011 vintage has been awarded 2 gold medal, 1 silver medal.

RATING - 97 Points & Outstanding James Halliday (2014 Edition)

- 96 Points Tyson Stelzer, Australian Gourmet Traveller Wine
- 93+ Points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate