

Black Label Shiraz Viognier 2016

CSPC# 716840 12x750ml 14.5% alc./vol.

97% Shiraz, 3% Viognier **Grape Variety**

Vintage A dry Winter and fleeting Spring was followed by a warm growing season with

welcome rainfall in December and January leading to full, healthy canopies enabling

excellent yields and great flavour development.

Vineyards 2011 was the first vintage with Sandy and Rod Hallett at the helm after taking over

from Sandy's parents Merv and Judy Lange who were pioneers of the Frankland River region of WA. The Alkoomi vineyards have been established over a number of

years, dating back to 1971.

Vinification/ There are 6 small parcels of Shiraz estate grown fruit which ripen at different times Maturation

due to their varied location. When the Viognier fruit is ripe, we were able to harvest on the same day as the Shiraz in block 17. We pressed off some free run Viognier and then returned the skins to co-ferment with the Shiraz. The final wine, which is

3% Viognier, undergoes 12 months of maturation in French oak before bottling

Tasting Notes Vibrant deep crimson with magenta hues. Blackberries, cherries and red fruits on

the medium bodied palate with layers of sugary tannin interwoven with pepper and

juicy bright freshness.

Cellaring Ready to drink now, although will gain complexity over the next five to eight years

with careful cellaring.

Scores/Awards 93 points (4.5 stars) - Toni Paterson, The Real Review - February 2018

92 points - James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2018

92 points - The Australian Wine Review - May 2018

92 points - Ray Jordan, Cellar Talk - April 2018 92 points - Huon Hooke, The Real Review - March 2018

Silver Medal - Wine Show of Western Australia - 2018 8.6/10 points - Max Crus, Daily Examiner - March 2018

Reviews "This is an outstanding wine, and even more so when you consider the price. It is a

fragrant and spicy drop, with great intensity and vibrancy. I adore its alluring aromatics and distinctive personality, with concentrated black fruit laced with

pepper. A top drink."

- TP, The Real Review

"Standout value for money here, from a winery that continues delivering well-priced drinks. This red comes from all estate (Frankland River) fruit and matured for 12 months in 20% new oak. It is a Shirognier (my Shirognier) where the Viognier actually works, giving a lift to a mid-weight wine that would have been quieter otherwise. Boysenberry, regional mint, plums and then a little black pepper. The joy here is the simple purity—the tannins are fine, the balance just great. It's a little warm to finish but that's my only quibble otherwise a good plump style cool climate Shiraz. Best drinking: Good now, better next year and will go for 8 years."

- Australian Wine Review





Reviews

- Max Crus, The Daily Examiner

"While there's just a smidgen of viognier in the blend, it does the job, perfectly enhancing the flavour in this Frankland River region wine from WA's deep south. Being medium-bodied, it invites early enjoyment, with pepper notes nicely woven into its juicy berry flavours by custodian Andrew Cherry."

- John Fordham, The Sunday Telegraph - July 2018 (review only)



Black Label Shiraz Viognier 2014

CSPC# 716840 12x750ml 14.2% alc./vol.

Grape Variety 93% Shiraz, 7% Viognier

Vintage A mild, dry winter and a spring with ample rain, was followed by a warm, even

summer, interspersed with a timely rainfall event. This presented us with early flavour development, providing an intense varietal profile whilst retaining the

freshness of the natural acidity.

Vineyards 2011 was the first vintage with Sandy and Rod Hallett at the helm after taking over

> from Sandy's parents Merv and Judy Lange who were pioneers of the Frankland River region of WA. The Alkoomi vineyards have been established over a number of

years, dating back to 1971.

Vinification/ There are 5 parcels of Shiraz of estate grown fruit in the blend one of which is co-Maturation

fermented with the Viognier fruit. The final wine, which is 7% Viognier, undergoes

12 months of maturation in the French Oak before bottling.

Tasting Notes Vibrant deep crimson with magenta hues. Lifted aromas of violets, black cherries and peppery spices. Jubey black cherry flavours continue on the medium bodied

palate with vibrant freshness to the ripe flavours and an even, gravelly tannin

structure.

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Scores/Awards 91 points - Huon Hooke, The Real Review - September 14, 2016

89 points - Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front - September 14, 2016

Top Gold - Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2016

Bronze Medal - International Wine Challenge 2017 Commended - Decanter Asia Wine Awards 2016

3 Stars - Winestate Magazine - September/October 2017

4 Stars - Jane Thompson, The Fabulous Ladies Wine Society - October 2016

Reviews

"91 points. Deep red/purple colour and a slightly shy, reserved bouquet, which has some subtle tobacco and sweaty nuances. The wine is full-bodied and tannic, with abundant grip and savoury flavours galore. It's firm and solid in the mouth, strongly built and authoritative, if a trifle closed-up at this moment in time. It should reward cellaring. Top value for money."

- HH, The Real Review

"This is the 'Black Label' version. It's shiraz co-fermented with 7% viognier. All matured in French oak, 20% new. Some of the Alkoomi reds looked a bit wobbly not too long back but the range is on the steady improve – and this gives it a serious bump upwards."

- CM, The Wine Front

"While it's a style that goes in and out of favour, there's something just so dam pleasing about a good Shiraz Viognier. This new release from one of WA's largest family owned and operated wine producers is 5 per cent Viognier and undergoes 18 months of maturation in French oak (one-third of which is new) before bottling. The result is a wine that is bright, generous, soft and run-down-your-chin juicy."

- JT, The Fabulous Ladies Wine Society





Black Label Shiraz Viognier 2011

CSPC# 716840 12x750ml 14.2% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: g/l pH: Residual Sugar: g/l

Grape Variety 93% Shiraz, 7% Viognier

Vintage An extremely dry winter was followed by a growing season of warm weather with

intermittent and timely rainfall resulting in vines producing low yields of intensely

flavoured fruit.

Vineyards 2011 was the first vintage with Sandy and Rod Hallett at the helm after taking over

from Sandy's parents Merv and Judy Lange who were pioneers of the Frankland River region of WA. The Alkoomi vineyards have been established over a number years, dating back to 1971. The result is that there are 7 individual blocks of estate grown Shiraz from which this wine is made. The fruit from at least one of these blocks reaches flavour maturity at the same time as the Viognier parcel and are

harvested on the same day and co-fermented.

Vinification/ Harvested on the same day the selected Shiraz and Viognier grapes used to make **Maturation** this delicious wine were co-fermented to ensure early flavour integration. The

this delicious wine were co-fermented to ensure early flavour integration. The aromatic Viognier fruit has added a touch of elegance, delicate fruit sweetness and a floral lift. The fruit for this wine was harvested between at 13.0 to 14.0 Baumé. This year the final blend has 7% Viognier and the wine matured in French oak, one third

of which was new, for 18 months before bottling.

Tasting Notes Deep crimson with purple hues. The sweet mid palate fruit flavours of fresh black

cherries and plums and given complex, savoury layers of spice and tobacco by the French oak. This elegant balance of flavour is supported and lengthened by fine

grained velvety tannins.

Cellaring Ready to enjoy now but will increase in complexity over the next five to eight years

with careful cellaring.

Scores/Awards 93 points - James Halliday, WineCompanion.com - July 25, 2014

Reviews "Estate-grown, co-fermented with 7% viognier, and spent 18 months in French oak.

Bright colour; the medium-bodied palate and bouquet alike showing the lifted red fruits typical of the blend; then there is an unexpected touch of mocha before fine-

grained tannins click in on the finish." - JH, Australian Wine Companion





Black Label Shiraz Viognier 2009

CSPC# 716840 12x750ml 13.8% Alc./Vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: 7.00 g/l pH: 3.42 Residual Sugar: g/l

Grape Variety Shiraz, Viognier

Vintage A cool but sunny start to the growing season promoted excellent vine growth and

good fruit set. This was followed by a ripening season with bright sunny days and

cool nights allowing for exceptional flavour and colour development.

Vineyards This excellent wine is made from carefully selected grapes grown in the Alkoomi

estate vineyards located in the Frankland River region of Western Australia.

Vinification/ Harvested on the same day the selected Shiraz and Viognier grapes used to make

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and the wine was matured for 18 months in a mix of new, one and two year old

French oak barrels.

Tasting Notes Deep garnet red with a crimson hue at the rim. Bouquet: Cherry and dark berry

fruits are complemented by spicy oak aromas with a savoury lift of white pepper. Palate: Medium bodied with spicy plum flavours, the mid palate is abundant with sweet fruit leading to a finish that is long and textured with fine grained, silky

tannins.

Cellaring Although released to drink now this wine has the potential to cellar for a number of

years.

Scores/Awards 92 points - James Halliday, WineCompanion.com - August 11, 2011

90 points - Lisa Perotti-Brown, Wine Advocate #196 - August 2011

91 Points - Ray Jordan's West Australian Wine Guide 2012

Silver Medal - Canberra National Wine Show 2012

Silver Medal - Cowra Wine Show 2011

Bronze Medal - Royal Perth Wine Show 2011

Reviews "The 2009 Shiraz Viognier has a medium-deep garnet-purple color and offers notes of kirsch, mulberries

and black cherries with a fragrant peach blossom and allspice undercurrent. The medium-full bodied palate is generously fruited and well structured with very high acid and a medium level of velvety tannins,

finishing long. Drinking beautifully now, it should remain good to 2016+."

- LP-B, Wine Advocate

"A fine, fragrant and savoury bouquet, showing attractive red and black fruits, spice, vibrant acidity and harmony to conclude; truly medium-bodied and fragrant in style."

- JH, Australian Wine Companion





Black Label Shiraz Viognier 2008

CSPC# 716840 12x750ml 13.8% Alc./Vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: 6.7 g/l pH: 3.48 Residual Sugar: g/l

Grape Variety Shiraz, Viognier

Vintage A warm, dry spring, followed by an alternately sunny then cloudy but dry summer,

resulted in red wines of great finesse and longevity.

Vineyards From our vineyards in the Frankland River Region.

Vinification/ The addition of a small amount of Viognier to this wine, as is often the practice with

Maturation Shiraz in the northern Rhône, has added a touch of elegance, delicate fruit

sweetness and a floral lift. The fruit for this wine was harvested between 13.0 to

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14.5 Baumé and the wine was matured for 18 months in French oak.

Tasting Notes Deep red with ruby highlights at the rim. Attractive aromas of spice with white

pepper and anise mingle with sweet redcurrant fruit notes all complemented by biscuity French oak. Ripe and chocolaty flavoured fruit with dense satiny tannins evolve through the palate to a lingering finish of sweet red fruits. Although released

to drink now this wine has the potential to cellar until 2015.

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Scores/Awards 4 ½ Stars - WineState Magazine - October 2010

90 points - Lisa Perotti-Brown, Wine Advocate #191 - October 2010

93 points - James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion - December 6, 2009

Reviews "Providing a deep garnet-purple color, the 2008 Shiraz Viognier has meaty aromas of

smoked duck and bacon over dark cherry, blueberry and supporting notes of tar, licorice and tree bark. Crisp acidity and a medium to firm level of fine tannins lend a tightly knit character to the layers of dark cherry and earth flavors on this medium

bodied wine. The finish is long. Drink this wine 2011 to 2018+."

- LP-B, Wine Advocate

"Typical vivid colour for this blend; the bouquet is full of red fruit aromas coupled with spice, the fresh palate with a juicy lift on the finish."

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- JH, Australian Wine Companion

