

Reillys

CLARE VALLEY

Family owned, estate grown South Australian wines since 1993

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Estate Vineyard | Stolen Block, Watervale, Clare Valley // Average Vine Age 90 years Rich red loam over deep limestone // Aspect E/SE // Elevation 390m
Winemaker | Justin Ardill, Owner & Winemaker since 1993

Winemaking & Viticulture |

This exquisite wine has been hand crafted from some of the oldest, dry grown Shiraz vineyards in the Clare Valley. These old vines produce small yields of premium quality fruit with concentrated flavours and balanced acidity. Hand picked at optimal ripeness, our winemaker Justin Ardill uses traditional wine making techniques of 10 day open fermentation and hand plunging before gently pressing to extract maximum colour, flavour and tannin from the berries. Maturation in new 2/3 French oak hogsheads for 30 months has allowed development of smooth balanced oak characteristics. RCV wines are limited release and are only made when the vintage is judged to be of the absolute highest quality seen for many years. Renowned South Australian artist Tom Gleghorn OAM was our artist in residence for 2010 vintage and has created this beautiful artwork for our labels which are individually numbered and add to our collection of three Gleghorn labels. Inspired by our winemakers late father David Ardill, 'Epitaph' is your final word.

Profile

This is a rich, full bodied wine showing layers of succulent dark fruit and ripe plum flavours with cigar box, aromatic spice and a touch of vanilla. The wine finishes with well integrated oak and smooth, silky mouth feel with firm lingering tannins.

Specifications | 16% alc/vol // TA 6.32g/L // pH 3.58 // RS 2.9g/L Cellar to | 2030

Reviews | 92/100, Huon Hooke, The Real Review, 2nd February 2019

"...A very ripe, high-octane, whopper shiraz, which manages to be soft and supple in the mouth with a luxurious feel and remarkably good balance..."

5 STARS, TOP IN CATEGORY \$100-\$200, 3RD PLACE OVERALL

Winestate Magazine, 2019 World's Greatest Shiraz Challenge

"'A top wine - beautifully balanced' noted one judge. Inviting blackcurrant/toasty oak complexity on the nose and velvety smooth in the mouth with classic shiraz flavours."

5 STARS, TOP IN CATEGORY \$100-\$200, 4TH PLACE OVERALL

Winestate Magazine, 2018 World's Greatest Shiraz Challenge

""A classy combination of strong fruit and fresh oak aromas. Very rich palate, very flavoursome harmony of blackberry fruit and cedary oak laced with acid and moderate tannins."

93 POINTS James Halliday

