

The Yard

2008 ACACIA VINEYARD SHIRAZ

The Vintage: A cool spring with below average rainfall resulted in vines carrying very small crops with small bunches and berries. The resulting wines are intensely spicy and dark in colour.

The Winemaking: Fruit was handpicked and sorted. Fermentation lasted for approximately 3 week in stainless steel fermenters. The wine was aged in new and 1 year oak oak for 8 months. No racking and additions were made to this wine.

The Wine: Deep crimson in colour. Aromas of blueberry and peat jump from the glass. On the palate, earthy with hints of spiced blueberry and a creamy mouth-feel. The wine is complex, with spicy, savoury notes, balanced by blueberry fruit. Long and elegant with hints of spice and white pepper.

Drink With: Roast duck, mild hard cheese

Winemaker	Larry Cherubino
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Vineyard Acacia Year Planted 1997

Location Frankland River

Vines per Hectare 1800
Irrigation Yes
Clone/s Unknown
Rootstock Own

Aspect North Facing

Soils Deep Gravels over clay

Technical Data:

Geographical Indication Frankland River

Variety Shiraz

Picking Date April 15 2008
Sugar at Picking 14.0 Baume'
Alcohol 14.9% v/v
pH 3.85

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Total Acidity 5.56g/L
Residual Sugar 0g/L

Bottled February 2009

Cellaring Potential 10 years