



LARRY CHERUBINO WINES

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### 2011 Riversdale Vineyard Shiraz

*Frankland River, Western Australia*

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**The Vintage:** The 2011 season was long and dry. This resulted in intense fruit with small berries and wines with great colour and character. A milder winter proceeded by a warm long dry growing season, followed by cool dry spring resulted in a lower crop. Moderate Summer months allowed for a gentle ripening and juicy Shiraz berries as a result.

**The Winemaking:** Fruit was handpicked and sorted. Fermentation was carried out in small lot fermenters. Moderate extraction was aimed for to ensure that the vineyard characters were fully expressed. The wine was then aged in new and one year old oak for 6-8 months

**The Wine:** A complex bouquet with licorice and leather, both distinctly savoury meaty notes, and a sweet juicy blackberry and vanilla aroma. A medium-bodied palate of almost eucalypt and peppers shine through the firm tannins. This prolongs the dense and gravel-like mineral finish. Complex and long.

**Drink With:** Roast Venison fillet with blueberry sauce

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<b>Vineyard:</b>	Riversdale	<b>Technical Data</b>	
<b>Year Planted:</b>	1997	<b>Geographical Indication:</b>	Frankland River, WA
<b>Location:</b>	Frankland River, WA	<b>Variety:</b>	Shiraz
<b>Vines per Hectare:</b>	1600	<b>Picking Date:</b>	March 2011
<b>Irrigation:</b>	Yes	<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.9 %
<b>Clone/s:</b>	Unknown	<b>pH:</b>	3.79
<b>Rootstock:</b>	Own	<b>Total Acidity:</b>	5.55 g/L
<b>Aspect:</b>	Northern facing	<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	0.0 g/L
<b>Soils:</b>	Deep gravels over clay	<b>Bottling Date:</b>	February 2012
		<b>Cellaring Potential:</b>	15+ years

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