

Kangarilla Road Tasting Notes



Kangarilla Road 2013 Blanche Point Shiraz

Winter rains during 2012 set up our subsoils perfectly with some of the highest levels of moisture seen in recent years. Summer arrived a little late and the vine canopies were in perfect shape for the little burst of heat we received during January. The 2013 McLaren Vale vintage yielded awesome quality, with weather conditions during February and March perfect cool nights and warm days ideal for ripening.

The vineyard this Shiraz is sourced from is within view of Maslin Beach and it's geology is from the Eocene (34-56 million years ago) and is on Blanche Point Formation which is a marine fossil rich calcareous siltstone/limestone.

Whilst the vineyard is close to the sea, the vines are reasonably protected by sandhills and vegetation but there is still a level of stress for the vines in their quest for water which in turn adds to the quality of the fruit.

Total Acidity g/1L 6.6

Alcohol % 14.5

pH 3.39

Bottling Date

Winemaker Kevin O'Brien

The nose is all about dark berry fruits and the perfume of a very dark red rose with a glimpse of tobacco.

The palate is reminiscent of a delicious pastry from a sophisticated French Patisserie. Dark satsuma plums, a touch of vanilla and a gorgeous sweet creaminess. And the flavour has length to die for.