

2013 3 RINGS BAROSSA VALLEY SHIRAZ



Year: 2013

Brand: 3 Rings

Variety: Shiraz

Varietal: 100%

Region: Barossa Valley

Bottle Size: 750ml Stelvin

Total Case Production: 3,000 cases



Tasting Notes:

Colour: Deep midnight black with a squid ink hue.

Bouquet: Expressive and powerful notes of dark and exotic berries.

Palate: A full bodied wine. Layered beautifully with texture and elegance. Strong presence of dark and rich chocolates, traces of tar, leather and spice lead to a core of supple yet immense fruit driven characteristics, with a flavour wrapped finish towards the end of the palate.

Food: Slow cooked brisket, grilled lamb, grass feed beef or a hearty beef stew and of course steak.

Analytical Data: Alcohol 15.5%, Total acidity: 0.43 g/l, Residual sugar: 0.6 g/l, pH: 3.62

Vintage Comments:

Yield: 3 tonnes per acre

Harvest: 6th – 12th March 2013

The Barossa Valley confronted one of the earliest and smallest vintages in 2013, but quality was outstanding. Dry conditions, coupled with warm to hot weather and variable yield levels forced the growers to manage their blocks carefully, especially with regards to soil moisture and subsequent irrigation.

Rainfall in 2012 was the fifth driest on record. A cooler than average January followed by a warm February hastened the ripening process in the vineyard, leading to an early harvest. Despite low yields, quality is strong across the board with reds showing intense flavours, good colour and firm tannins.

Producer: Ill Rings Pty Ltd

Grower/Owner: David & Dena Hickenbotham

Winemaker: Alan Hickenbotham