

RUTHERGLEN ESTATE

Modern classic winery, with respect for tradition. Situated in the north-east corner of Victoria, it is one of the most progressive and diverse viticultural regions in Australia.



DE BORTOLI RUTHERGLEN ESTATE SHIRAZ 2023

Variety
Shiraz

Vineyard

Our shiraz is grown on the De Bortoli Burgoyne and Shelley's vineyards on the eastern edge of the Rutherglen region. Both sites have an interesting range of aspects from the warmer westerly facing sites to a south facing block. The soils are a range of gravel, clay and alluvial soil mix, resulting in a positive diversity of fruit flavour profiles.

Season

2023 was a slightly cooler than average year without any extreme heat. Because of a wet spring it was a busy growing season. Fortunately post December the summer became more normal. February and March dried out with ideal mild days which resulted in a fantastic year in Rutherglen for our red varieties. The season was three weeks later than average and we feel fortunate to have ended up with the wines we have in the cellar.

Tasting Note

Deep brick red colour. This shiraz has aromas of chocolate, ripe blueberry, mocha, and dark berries. The oak has integrated into the wine, adding aromas of cedar and spice. On the palate, this wine is well structured, with richness and mouth coating fine tannins supporting a core of dark fruit. A wine to savour and enjoy.

General Characteristics
Dry / Full bodied

Additional Information
Vegan, Vegetarian

Winemaking

Selected from some of the most prized shiraz vineyards on the Estate, the 2023 shiraz is partially crushed into temperature controlled vats. A small percentage of the fruit is handpicked and is added to ferment as whole bunches to add freshness. A small percentage of viognier is added to help lift aromatics and freshness. The wine is aged in French and American oak to give tightness and roundness on the palate whilst helping to give complexity in all areas.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 14.5%, pH: 3.67, TA: 6.32 g/L

Cellaring

Our shiraz is made to cellar. It expresses its drinkability now but will continue to soften over the next 3-6 years. This particular wine will cellar nicely for up to 10 years.

Winemaker
Marc Scalzo

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