



Rosemount Estate

Grenache Shiraz 2004



Grenache is one of wine's longest serving grape varieties, with plantings dating back into pre-history evidenced by its wide distribution today throughout the South of France and Northern Spain. In Australia, the variety was amongst the first to be planted in early viticulture over one hundred and fifty years ago, along with the classic shiraz variety, also selected in those early years for its capacity to grow in warm, dry climates.

The two varieties have often been combined and invariably create a delicious synergy of flavours, exemplified by this wine which draws upon the rich perfume and dusty, exotic spice characters of grenache to complement the deep berry fruit and pepper flavours of shiraz.

Regional Source

Selected parcels of fruit for this wine were sourced from the Fleurieu Peninsula (29.8%), the Barossa Valley (27.7%), and the New South Wales (37.1%).

Grape Variety

Shiraz (Syrah), Grenache

Maturation

Both wines underwent a warm ferment to optimise their natural characteristics. Selected parcels were matured for six months in a combination of oak and stainless steel.

Winemaker Comments: Charles Whish



Colour

Bright ruby plum.



Nose

Instantly inviting with red summer fruit and bramble aromas combined with darker more spiced tones. Oak maturation adds a toasty note.



Palate

A rich, full bodied wine with a textured palate. Berry fruit flavours follow from the nose developing touches of allspice and clove across the mid-palate. The finish is long and generous gently supported by soft tannins and a creamy oak backbone.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 13.0%

Last Tasted

10 Oct 2004

Peak Drinking

Now - 2005

Food Matches

Ideally suited to Pasta, Pizza, Lamb

