



2002 R.S.W. Shiraz

WIRRA WIRRA
VINEYARDS

This wine is named after Robert Strangways Wigley, a noted South Australian eccentric & cricketer who established Wirra Wirra in 1894. He produced a much-acclaimed Shiraz, which was exported to England & the Empire until his death in 1925. The cellars fell into disuse after the 1936 vintage, until first cousins Greg & Roger Trott rebuilt the ironstone winery by hand in 1969. McLaren Vale, as well as being home to some of the oldest Shiraz vines in the world, is blessed with climatic conditions & soil types which are ideal for growing this variety. These factors contribute directly to the regions' reputation for producing Shiraz of world acclaim & have a profound influence on the style and quality of this wine.

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Tasting Notes

Winemakers:	Sam Connew & Paul Carpenter
Grape Varieties:	100% Shiraz
Region:	100% McLaren Vale, South Australia
Oak Maturation:	20 months in new & one year old French (80%) and American (20%) oak barriques.
Colour:	Inky black cherry with a garnet rim.
Bouquet:	Wonderfully aromatic and refined nose of spices, cinnamon, black fruits and hints of underlying chocolate.
Palate:	Ripe entry of complex berry fruits, cinnamon, earth, and refined oak usage with a sinewy texture and fine integrated tannins.
General:	Made in small quantities from Wirra Wirra's best Shiraz vineyards, the R.S.W. is a spicy, well balanced and complete wine that will develop for many years in the cellar
Technical Notes:	Alc /vol: 15.0% pH: 3.34 TA: 6.8 g/L
Serve:	At room temperature, less than 18° with most foods including pastas, cheeses & grilled red meats.