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2007 ENTITY SHIRAZ

REVIEWS

94 points, Jeremy Oliver, The Australian Wine Annual, 2010

Delicious and finely honed Barossa shiraz set for drinking now. Sweet, juicy and slightly jammy aromas of blackberries, blueberries, redcurrants and blood plums are backed by creamy, vanilla and chocolatey oak plus undertones of cinnamon and cloves. Sumptuous and juicy, it's long, vibrant and silky-smooth, delivering sweet flavours of berries and plums, tightly knit with aromatic and slightly gamey, mocha-like oak. It finished with lingering nuances of chocolate, licorice and mint.

94 points, James Halliday, 2010 Halliday Wine Companion

A fragrant bouquet and high-toned palate, quality oak an essential part of the wine; an almost European restraint in its make-up.

93 points, Josh Reynolds, The International Wine Cellar

Dark berries, iron, Asian spices and cracked pepper on the nose. Silky in texture, offering sweet blackcurrant and blueberry flavors and supple tannins. Turns livelier with air, taking a turn to zestier red fruits while retaining power. Strikingly pure and juicy, with excellent finishing clarity and a strong echo of raspberry fruit.

92 points, Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front, October 2009

John Duval Entity Shiraz spends 17 months in French oak prior to bottling. In 2007 it's turned out a soft, harmonious wine with an easy-going sense of structure.

Its alcohol tip-toes close to showing too overtly, without ever overstepping the mark. A sign of careful grape-growing and making. It tastes juicy, tarry, ripe but not overly sweet. I like the profile of it, though there's a saltiness on the finish that again walks close to the line. Lovely balance of fruit and tannin and acid. Lovely line through the finish. Needs another year or two in the bottle, after which it should drink smoothly and well.



John and Tim Duval