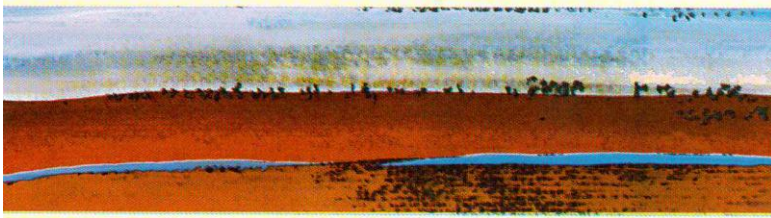


P A R I N G A TM



2005 • SHIRAZ

The River Murray is to Australia what the Mississippi is to America. Fed from the snow country of the Australian Alps the Murray traces a leisurely 2,000 mile course to the Southern Ocean. In its lower reaches, in the state of South Australia, the Murray winds through lush vineyards that produce about 50% of Australia's wine production.

The Paringa vineyards, situated near the viticultural centre of Renmark, are owned by the Hickinbotham family, whose connections with the Australian wine industry go back sixty years.

This wine reflects the clean environment and combination of water, soil and sunshine that is uniquely Australian. Made from 100% Shiraz, the wine is a clear dark ruby, with a bouquet full of lush Shiraz fruit character. The rich fruitiness continues on to the palate, with plenty of varietal Shiraz character overlaying a subtle touch of oak which leads to a firm, clean finish.

14.5% VOL

WINE OF AUSTRALIA

750ML

2005 PARINGA SHIRAZ

Year: 2005

Brand: Paringa

Variety: Shiraz

Varietal: 100%

Region: South Australia

Bottle Size: 750ml Stelvin

Total Case Production: 40,000 cases

Tasting Notes:

Colour: Black as the ace of spades.

Bouquet: A soaring fruit laden nose of berries and more berries. Lots of snippets of dark chocolate and some tobacco.

Palate: Black, brooding fruit rule the palate. It's simply brimming with quintessential Shiraz savours of black cherries, black plums, blackberries, and some dark chocolate for good measure. The length of this wine is outstanding, and the velvet tannins have you licking your lips for more.

Analytical Data: Alcohol 14.5%, Total acidity: 6.6 g/l, Residual sugar: 0.3 g/l, pH: 3.47

Vintage Comments:

Yield: 8 tonnes per acre

Harvest: March 2005

Winter 2004 produced above average rains, followed by a warm spring with good flowering weather in late November. Summer started with a cool December, rains in January and a dry February. A warm autumn caused an early vintage. The quality of the 2005 vintage is sure to be ranked as one of the best on record, after 2002, with all varieties showing strongly.

Producer: The ARH Australian Wine Company Pty Ltd

Grower/Owner: David & Dena Hickinbotham

Winemaker: Peter Gajewski

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