

2014 BLACK GUTS



I thought 2014 was an exceptional vintage for Shiraz, with low yields and a perfect growing season. The two blocks on our vineyard that produce the fruit for the Black Guts have both been through gradual rejuvenation over a period of 20 or more years. Nurturing an 80 year old and 50 year old vineyard back to consistent quality production has been a real joy (and a lot of hard work). When I look at the last few vintages and see the consistency and concentration in the wines, I think that everyone involved in the vineyard, in our garden, should be very proud.

It's a beautifully balanced Shiraz that drinks so well off the bat.

Hallmark Vine Vale Shiraz with violet, cloves and mocha.

BLEND: 100% SHIRAZ

MATURATION: 30 MONTHS NEW FRENCH & OLD FRENCH AND AMERICAN BARRIQUES

ALCOHOL: 14.9%

YIELD: 1.0 - 1.5 T/ACRE