

2012 Jarrah Shiraz

The Alkoomi vineyards and winery are located in the Frankland River district of Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. The name is taken from local aboriginal dialect and means 'a place we chose' and the logo represents the unique and distinctively Australian Grasstree, *Xanthorrhoea preissii*. The first plantings were in 1971 and the region's long, cool ripening conditions are perfect for growing fruit of intense varietal character.



Winemaking

The Jarrah Shiraz is only made in small volumes, using carefully selected premium fruit from our oldest Shiraz vines. Traditional fermentation in small open vessels, which are hand plunged 3 to 4 times daily, the 2012 Shiraz was then pressed off skins after extended skin contact. Malolactic fermentation occurred while maturing in 1/3 new French Oak followed by a maturation in barrel for 19 months.

Vintage

A welcome winter of average rainfall, followed by a warm growing season with minimal rain, resulted in an optimal yield of intensely flavoured fruit.

Colour

Brilliant deep crimson with magenta hues.

Nose

Brooding aromas of dark cherry, black pepper and spice.

Palate

Vibrant flavours of black cherry and blueberries layered with pepper and with interwoven with a core of ripe, chewy tannins.

Cellaring

Ready to enjoy now but will gain complexity over the next eight to ten years with careful cellaring.

Alcohol 14.0%

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