

MOUNT LANGI GHIRAN

2014 Cliff Edge Shiraz ~ Reviews & Accolades



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Class Shiraz

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POINTS JAMES HALLIDAY
Halliday Wine Companion 2017

Small batches variously open-fermented, matured in French oak (20% new) for 15 months. An immaculately balanced and structured wine, effortless in its medium-bodied guise, delivering juicy red fruits, cedar and spice on a bed of feathery tannins. J.S. Bach harpsichord.

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POINTS ROB GEDDES
www.robgeddesmw.com, June 2016

Beautiful colour and fragrance of red fruits and spice, more accessible than the Langi with ripe fruits pretty spiced oak notes. The anatomy of a medium bodied red, medium weight, elegant length of flavour, even fine-grained tannins and spicy blue berry, to finish pepper. The tannins have a mouth watering quality that makes this a food or frolic style. Excellent quality and great value.

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POINTS MIKE BENNIE,
WBM Magazine, March / April 2016

Recent Years have shown us a remarkable wine at price and 2014 delivers us another gift. It's medium weight, peppery and berry fruited in perfume, luxurious in texture but honed with ropes of firm tannin and flavours are embedded with peppery spice. It sits even, very long, restrained in the palate. Such a delicious, fine feeling wine.

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POINTS CHRIS SHANAHAN
GoodFood, February 2016

Winemaker Ben Haines whets our appetite for the latest Cliff Edge Shiraz, writing, "The 2014 vintage was warm to mild with lower than average yields. Fruit was small and flavours were intense, highly concentrated and well defined. In their vibrant youth, these wines already display finesse and balance. The shiraz [is] taut and firmly structured." The deep, crimson-rimmed colour, fruity-spicy perfume and sweet, concentrated fruit flavours all gel with the winemaker's notes. It's medium bodied, packs a huge load of juicy, spicy fruit flavours, all layered with fine, savoury tannins.

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POINTS ANDREW GRAHAM,
ozwinereview.com, February 2016

I'm not even sure this is commercially released, but expect high points and plenty of praise when it lands. The only thing working against this release of Mount Langi's well priced favourite is that its still coming together. Medium red with purple edges, the nose is achingly closed, showing lipstick, purple berries, just a little black pepper and then Play Doh oak. Wound up tight, the high quality oak a dominant power for the moment (but it won't be in 6 months time). The beauty here is just how well balanced that palate is - not hot, not over extracted, not sweet, just beautiful purple fruit, tightly wound into a ball of flavour, fine silky tannins and just perfect natural acidity. Again, the oak is obvious on the palate, but just because the rest hasn't caught up. It still tastes of quality, mid-weight, classic western Victorian Shiraz with nary a hair out of place. You expect that the big dog Langhi Shiraz will be even more intense again, in which case start forming a queue now. This Cliff Edge Shiraz is very very good. I'm erring on the cautious side of the score equation now, but in 6 months time that number could go up plenty.

Best drinking: 2017-2023.

Would I buy it? Sure would.

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POINTS JOSH RAYNOLDS
Vinous, September 2017

Inky ruby. Smoky, mineral-accented cherry, cassis and floral pastille scents, along with hints of cola and mocha. Sappy, nicely concentrated blackberry and bitter cherry flavors show very good depth as well as vivacity and pick up a peppery nuance with aeration. Closes long and sweet, displaying suave, even tannins and echoes of ripe dark fruit, clove and woodsmoke.

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