

NINE STONES



SHIRAZ *Hilltops*

Vineyard & Region

From the Kingsvale section of the Hilltops Region, southeast of the town of Young situated in the highlands of southern New South Wales. A cool climate growing region at an altitude of 1,700 feet. Soils are moderately fertile, being free-draining decomposed granite, with large boulders occurring throughout.

Colour

Bright youthful purples and dark red.

Bouquet

An intensely aromatic wine with exciting and full of exotic chocolate, minty, black cherry characters, with some white pepper overlaid with subtle oak character.

Palate

Very sweet fruit with fine grained tannins persistent, which is a hallmark of this vineyard; excellent fleshy middle palate and a long supple and satisfying finish.

Winemakers Comment Machine harvested fruit was crushed and destemmed. Fermentation was in 20 ton capacity rotary fermenters for 7 days, with frequent pump over. Following fermentation the pressings were added back to the free-run. Post fermentation part of the wine was given American oak Instave treatment and a further portion was stored in 3 year old French barriques.

Serving suggestion :: An ideal food wine. Serve with red meat or Italian pizza.

Characteristics :: Medium Bodied

Winemaker :: Bill Calabria

OUR STORY :: THIS RANGE OF WINES CELEBRATES THE CELTIC HERITAGE OF THE WINERY'S FOUNDER. THE CELTS LEFT MANY GROUPS OF STANDING STONES, INCLUDING IT IS BELIEVED, STONEHENGE. THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN TRIBAL MEETING PLACES MANY GROUPS OF STONES STILL REMAIN TODAY, INCLUDING GROUPS OF NINE.

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