

Clonakilla



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: John Kirk
Winemaker: Tim Kirk
Total acreage under vine: 40
Estate founded: 1971
Winery production: 19,000 Bottles
Region: New South Wales
Country: Australia

Clonakilla Shiraz Viognier 2022

WINE DESCRIPTION

The Shiraz Viognier is the flagship wine, a careful selection of the best of the Shiraz Viognier parcels we craft each year from the Murrumbateman vineyard.

A hail storm on January 9 gave us plenty to worry about, reducing what was already a small crop. Mercifully, the vines recovered well. A brilliant ripening season followed, marked by a run of gorgeous weather in the crucial late Summer/early Autumn.

TASTING NOTES

Opulent aromas of roses, violets and layered spices, ripe berries of every hue. Perfectly formed tannins frame complex fruit flavors across the palate. This wine will age magnificently.

FOOD PAIRING

Enjoy Clonakilla Shiraz Viognier with roasted chicken and sauteed mushrooms.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Bottles produced of this wine: 19,000

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition:	94% Shiraz, 6% Viognier
Fermentation container:	Variety of Stainless Steel Tanks
Length of maceration:	3 weeks days
Malolactic fermentation:	Full
Fining agent:	None
Type of aging container:	Barriques and Puncheons
Type of oak:	Fine-Grained French
Length of aging before bottling:	12 Months
Total SO ₂ :	89 mg/L

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol:	12.8%
pH level:	3.77
Residual sugar:	<0.3 g/L
Acidity:	6 g/L