

# Winemaker Comments:

### Vineyard Region

### Coonawarra

### **Vintage Conditions**

A low-yielding and early long-ripening season provided optimal flavour development

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# **Technical Analysis**

Harvest Date March 2013 pH 3.61 Acidity 6.7g/L Alcohol 13.5% Residual Sugar 0.4g/L Peak Drinking Cellar carefully for eight to 20 years ₩YNNS coonawarra estate



The Estate that made Coonawarra famous

# **Michael Shiraz** 2013

Michael Shiraz is Wynns Coonawarra Estate's best-of-vintage Shiraz. The first Michael (then named Michael Hermitage) was a one-off make from the 1955 vintage, made after proprietor David Wynn noticed the outstanding quality of the wine from two particular barrels and ordered them to be bottled separately. This wine - named after Wynn's young son - is a legend of the Australian wine story with good examples of the 1955 Michael Hermitage still offering an outstanding wine experience.

Revived with the superb 1990 vintage, the fruit used for this wine comes from the best vineyard sites in Coonawarra and is made only in years when the grapes are of extraordinarily high quality.

> Grape Variety Shiraz

# Maturation

15 months in new and seasoned French oak barrels (20% new)

### Colour

Bright purple with a vivid purple hue.

#### Nose

Intense notes of blueberry and strawberry, with darker complexing hints of black cherry, plum and lifted dandelion florals.

### Palate

Subtle notes of black cherry provide layered depth and complexity. A red fruit thread creates an intensely bright core. Soft framing powdery tannins, restrained nutty oak and hints of ginger add elegant savoury notes and the promise of silky elegance as this wine ages.