

PEREGRINE RIDGE

2007 Peregrine Ridge Limited Release Heathcote Shiraz

"Some colour development; a complex mix of very savoury aromas and flavours, and of warmth on the palate; manages to carry the alcohol, and it is a foil for those early notes.

High-quality cork." JAMES HALLIDAY AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION 2012 Edition

Region: Heathcote, Victoria

Winemakers: Graeme Quigley & Sue Kerrison

Background: Our "Limited Release" is a single vineyard, barrel selected wine based on the use of French oak barrels. Small parcels of fruit were carefully selected during the winemaking process and matched to barrel at the press. The 2007 was matured in 80% new and 20% second use barrels for 23 months prior to bottling. The aim of the wine is to showcase what can be achieved with our unique terroir on the east side of the Mt Camel Range 25km north of Heathcote. The grapes were picked over a 2 week period from 12 March to 27 March at the optimum ripeness for each block. All fruit was small batch fermented for between 10 and 14 days and then immediately pressed via basket press to barrel.

Vintage conditions: 2007 was a hot dry season that followed a dry, frosty Spring. Vine growth was even, with the drought conditions producing shoots of medium vigour. Summer was hot and extremely dry throughout the ripening season. This produced small, concentrated berries with intense rich dark cherry, blackberry and plum fruit flavours. These growing conditions have produced an extremely intense wine with rich savoury fruit character and good natural acidity.

Colour: Dark ruby to garnet with purple to garnet hue.

Nose: Rich dark cherry and blackberry fruit supported by savoury oak and spice.

Palate: Intense dark cherries, ripe blackberries and rich dark plums, dominate the palate, with firm savoury and spicy oak tannins providing the length and persistence that is the hallmark of this wine style. The front palate provides a spicy introduction to a long and persistent after palate of intense dark fruits. This is a full bodied wine

Alc/Vol: 15.6%v/v

Bottled under cork

Packed in 12x750ml & 6x750ml cartons

