



2011 Velvet Glove Shiraz



Excerpt of the winemaking team's tasting notes

This wine has a phenomenal 96% Fruit Weight and is simply AWESOME. It is immensely complex, from the aromatic fresh flowers and berry fruit to the spices, tobacco, plum, coffee, and several kinds of chocolate – just put it in your mouth and entertain yourself for hours with the array of flavours. The perfect balance of structure and Fruit Weight gives this wine an explosion of flavour, a rich, opulent, silky mouth feel and a length that seems to never end. It is a classic Velvet Glove. *Andrew*

To honour the beauty and individuality of our Velvet Glove Shiraz, we seal it in a unique bottle, apply a real velvet label printed in silver foil, and then place the bottle in either a gorgeous velvet bag or one of our handmade gift boxes. It's our labour of love to provide you with a joyful experience from beginning to end.

Technical notes

The grapes were grown on the Gateway vineyard in McLaren Vale.
Barrel fermented and matured in 100% new American oak.
Alc: 15.5% Residual sugar: 3.2g/L pH: 3.7

Marquis Fruit Weight – your guarantee of quality.

Required: 95%+

Actual: 96%

Reviews

Wine Advocate

'Very deep purple-black in color, the 2011 Velvet Glove is chock full of ripe and spicy blackberries, fresh blueberries and creme de cassis aromas that are accented by Chinese five spice notes and hints of chocolate, vanilla and some tar. Full-bodied, it is ripe and rich with a nice line of acid and medium-firm, fine-grained tannins. Concentrated and persistent on the finish, it shows beautiful elegance and freshness and is a nicely delineated and expressive example of the varietal and its regional home. However, it needs another year or more in bottle. Drink it from 2015 to 2025+'.
– 97 points & rated #1 Top Australian Wine, Lisa Perrotti-Brown, www.erobertparker.com

Past vintages

2010 Velvet Glove – WA 97 pts; WS 96 pts
2009 Velvet Glove – WA 97+ pts; WS 96 pts
2007 Velvet Glove – WA 98 pts; WS 96 pts
2006 Velvet Glove – WA 99 pts; WS 97 pts