



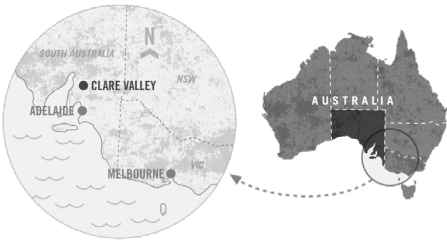
# KILIKANOON

## CLARE VALLEY

### 2015 Oracle Shiraz

#### PLACE

Clare Valley



Crafted from the old vineyards adjacent to the winery in Leasingham, including the renowned, original Mort's Block. Oracle continues to be one of our most celebrated and rewarded wines. Its powerful and opulent presence has been setting the bar for Clare Shiraz for over twenty years.

#### VITICULTURE

2015 was a slightly warmer year than the previous one with the elevated topography of the Golden Hillside vineyards remaining a key influencer in keeping evening temperatures lower, slowing the ripening process down yet still allowing all fruit parcels to mature and develop evenly across the slope. A classic Shiraz vintage across the Clare Valley.

#### WINEMAKING

A number of low-yielding, discreet parcels of Shiraz were selected, vinified separately using time-honoured traditional winemaking techniques, then aged for 18 months in a selection of new and one year old, small French oak casks. The final cuvee was assembled and bottled, both unfinned and unfiltered, in January 2016. Extended cellaring then occurred before the release of this wine in 2019.



#### SENSORY

Colour: Dark red in colour with youthful crimson highlights.

Aroma: Richly focussed and hedonistic in its presentation, the aromas of dark chocolate, ripe plums, truffles, kitchen spices and cedary oak char swirl impressively on the nose.

Palate: The concentration, focus and textural qualities of this wine showcase its enduring legacy, further broadened through the raft of flavours both carried over from the nose and appearing for the first time. Ripe juicy plums, dark chocolate, Turkish delight, fresh licorice and tarry complexity, the classy oak and powdery tannins provide a lingering feature of the captivating finish of the wine.

#### CELLARING

Potential of at least 12 - 15 years.

Alcohol: 14.5%

