



WOLF BLASS

BLASS RESERVE RELEASE SHIRAZ LANGHORNE CREEK 2016

AN AROMATIC NOSE OF LIFTED BLACK CHERRY AND BLUEBERRY IS SUPPORTED BY SUBTLE NOTES OF WARM SPICE. PLUSH YET ELEGANT, WITH LIVELY BERRY FRUITS FILLING THE MOUTH, AND FINE, VELVETY TANNINS PROVIDING TEXTURE TO A LONG, FOCUSED PALATE.

In his heyday, Wolfgang Blass was confident and charismatic – just like his wines. He pushed winemaking boundaries, revolutionising the way Australians enjoyed wine. Fifty years on the world has changed, but Wolf's spirit hasn't, continuing to motivate and encourage our next generation winemakers to uphold his legacy.

Inspired by a new wave of unconventional winemaking, Blass by Wolf Blass was born. Hand-crafted wines in the spirit of contemporary style and experimentation.



WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION	<i>Langhorne Creek</i>
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	<i>Winter rainfall was light yet consistent, leading in to a warm, dry spring, with good flowering and fruit set allowing for even berry development. Summer was relatively cool, with January rains providing vines with a much needed drink. Fine, mild conditions and reliable lake breezes ensured long, cool ripening, resulting in fleshy, aromatic and fruit filled wines.</i>
GRAPE VARIETY	<i>Shiraz</i>
MATURATION	<i>24% was matured in French and American oak for 6 months to enhance structure and complexity, while maintaining fruit character and vibrancy.</i>
WINE ANALYSIS	<i>Alc/Vol: 14.0% Acidity: 7.1 g/L pH: 3.58</i>
PEAK DRINKING	<i>Enjoyable on release or will develop complex, integrated flavours with careful short to medium term cellaring.</i>
FOOD MATCH	<i>Great with duck sausage and borlotti bean cassoulet, or lamb cutlets with charred fennel.</i>

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR	<i>Vibrant crimson with purple hues.</i>
NOSE	<i>Lifted black cherry and blueberry fruits are supported by subtle notes of warm spice.</i>
PALATE	<i>Lively berry fruits fill the mouth, while fine, velvety tannins provide texture to the long, focused palate.</i>

Winemaker: Marie Clay