



WOLF BLASS

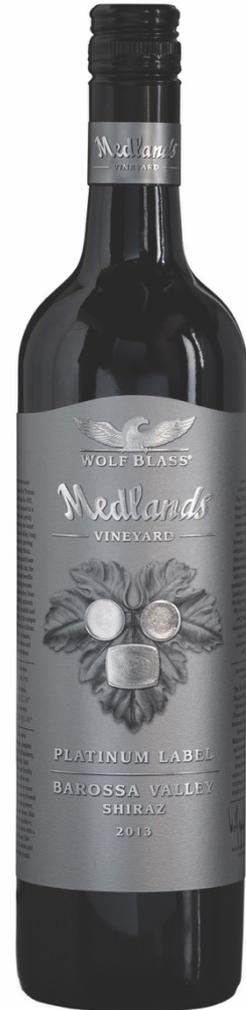
MEDLANDS VINEYARD

PLATINUM LABEL
BAROSSA VALLEY SHIRAZ
2013

A SINGLE VINEYARD WINE FROM THE MEDLANDS VINEYARD THAT SHOWCASES THE POWER AND INTENSITY OF THE 2013 VINTAGE. THE VERY BEST OF BAROSSA SHIRAZ IS EXPRESSED WITHIN A CLOAK OF LIFTED FRUIT AND THE VELVETY TEXTURE THAT IS THE HALLMARK OF WOLF BLASS.

The distinguished Medlands Vineyard lies within an exceptional pocket of ground at Dorrien on the central north Barossa Valley floor, a site long renowned for growing outstanding Shiraz. Gently sloping towards the North Para River, the microclimate benefits from cooling breezes flowing down-river from the foothills and enjoys optimum sunlight, low rainfall and low humidity.

The vineyard is comprised of ancient soils ranging from loamy sands over light clays to sandy loams over medium clays, laid down 5 million years ago when an uplift of the Eastern ranges and a sinking of the valley floor caused the central valley to fill with sediments. This unique *terroir* results in Shiraz of purity, elegance, tight structure and flawless balance.



WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION	<i>Medlands Vineyard, Dorrien, Barossa Valley</i>
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	<i>Spring rainfall was below average, but adequate for vines to start the season with healthy canopies. Storms during flowering and dry summer conditions impacted yields, concentrating both colour and flavour. Warm autumn nights brought on an early, condensed harvest, with 2013 Shiraz showing vibrant colour, intense flavour and focused tannins.</i>
GRAPE VARIETY	<i>Shiraz</i>
MATURATION	<i>After fermenting to dryness on skins, the wine was pressed and racked to 69% new and 31% one-year-old French oak barriques for 21 months' maturation, enhancing complexity, elegance, length and structure.</i>
WINE ANALYSIS	<i>Alc/Vol: 14.5% Acidity: 6.8 g/L pH: 3.59</i>
PEAK DRINKING	<i>2016 to 2041. This wine will mellow and develop with age to reward many years of careful cellaring.</i>
FOOD MATCH	<i>Great with chargrilled beef fillet with caramelised shallots, or Cantonese roast goose.</i>

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR	<i>Vibrant rich purple.</i>
NOSE	<i>Concentrated aromas of black plum and blueberry are complemented by underlying savoury notes of bittersweet chocolate, freshly ground coffee and the warm, gentle spice of fine fragrant oak.</i>
PALATE	<i>Elegant, yet bold and opulent, the palate is rich and complex, with dark fruit flavours of boysenberry, blackberry and blueberry given focus and structure with integrated French oak. A plush, velvety texture and a fine tannin line give rise to a wine of great stature and presence.</i>

Winemaker: Steven Frost