

Shoofly

SHIRAZ

2012

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



VARIETALS	Shiraz
REGION	McLaren Vale, Padthaway, Adelaide Hills - South Australia
MATURATION	10 months in seasoned oak
ANALYSIS	14.5% alc/vol TA: 6.4 pH: 3.6
WINEMAKER	Ben Riggs



WINEMAKING

Ben Riggs, Shoofly's winemaker, is a South Australian native who knows his stuff and where to get it. His roster of grape growers is one of the most sought after contact lists in the country. A 'growers' wine, this Shiraz is sourced from a collection of top South Australian vineyards with robust flavors of dark berry and a lifted savory spiciness from the cooler sites. McLaren Vale's temperate maritime climate offers rich, ripe fruit characters and great acid balance. Padthaway and Adelaide enjoy a cool and continental climate, perfect for producing spicy fruit.

TASTING NOTES

Medium bright red color. On the nose, the 2012 Shiraz reveals aromas of lovely, bright sour cherry fruits and light Asian spices. The supple red fruits carry across to the clean, bright palate and give way to complex nutmeg, tamarind, earth and eucalypt notes. The long finish is lengthy and ends as bright and fresh as it begins.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM

-  **92 pts** James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion
- 90 pts** Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Companion
- 88 pts** Wine Spectator

ABOUT SHOOFLY

Australians are serious about keeping their cool. They may look relaxed as they casually shoo away the incessantly buzzing flies, but the message is clear - nothing's going to get them down! They tend to take life's challenges in stride and simply get on with the job at hand. Like making wines with some oomph and stuffing, the sort you'd just as likely tuck into with your midweek pasta and take to a fancy dinner party on the weekend. That said, they take their winemaking pretty seriously, and it shows with Shoofly's collection of robust, full-of-flavor wines. Crafted from hand-selected vineyard sites that are rich in character and demonstrate true varietal pedigree, these are wines that show Australia at its best.