

Shoofly



2008 SHOOFLY BUZZ CUT

WINEMAKER: Ben Riggs
REGION: Adelaide, South Australia
VARIETALS: 37% Riesling, 32% Viognier, 21% Verdelho, 5% Chardonnay, 5% Sauvignon Blanc
FERMENT: Stainless steel
ALCOHOL: 14.0% alc/vol

BACKGROUND:

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, meaning the grapes come from a "who's who" of Australian growers and viticultural neighborhoods. The fruit for Shoofly's Buzz Cut is sourced from Australia's premier cool-climate wine region, Adelaide; this region is ideally suited for zippy, crisp white varietals. Shoofly's Buzz Cut is made in a style for early drinking with the juice undergoing a cool, stainless steel ferment to retain the fresh varietal characters.

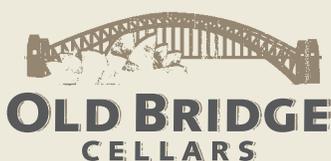
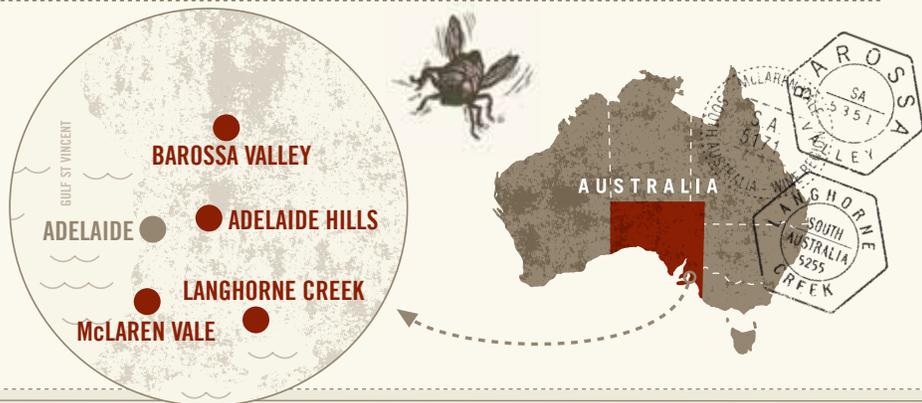
TASTING NOTES:

Buzz Cut is a fresh, vibrant white blend displaying exotic fruits on the nose and refreshing apple and citrus crunch on the palate. Austere Adelaide Hills Riesling combines with exotically perfumed Viognier and tropical-fruited Verdelho to produce a mouthwatering wine offering supple, ripe fruit alongside crisp, spritz acidity. Dashes of Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc contribute a rich mouthfeel and bright, herbal edge.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 87 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, 86 pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, 86 pts Wine Spectator, 86 pts Wine Enthusiast

ABOUT SHOOFLY WINES:

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.



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