



## 2013 Tatiarra Cambrian Shiraz

Tatiarra has in a very short time established a reputation as “one of the most exciting operations in Heathcote” producing powerful, concentrated and structured Shiraz that possess stunning flavour persistence.

**Region:** Heathcote, Victoria

**Winemakers:** Ben Riggs

**Background:** Tatiarra's Heathcote Vineyard occupies a unique parcel of earth. Around 500,000,000 years ago, natural forces, moulding the world, hardened the planet's surface forming Cambrian rock. Today, that rock exists as a discontinuous band of red earth, extending from the Heathcote township and running north past Colbinabbin, parallel to the Mount Camel range. The Tatiarra Vineyard is sustained by this band of soil derived from this ancient Cambrian rock in which Shiraz vines thrive, producing fruit of incomparable quality and wines of matchless character. The resulting wines are perfectly balanced, possessing tremendous exuberance and are capable of long term cellar development. The Cambrian Shiraz represents a wonderful expression of the Tatiarra Vineyard's terroir and is a classic, big Heathcote Shiraz. The grapes for this wine were cropped at 2.1 tonnes per acre, producing a wine of immense power and concentration.

**Vintage Conditions:** Good Winter rains were followed by a period from September right through to harvest in which virtually no rainfall occurred. Summer temperatures were high throughout this period. As a result of these warmer conditions vintage started on the 5th March, roughly 1 week ahead of schedule. Dropping of fruit began earlier than usual and the controlling of canopy cover resulted in excellent flavour development. The diligent use of the limited water resources at critical times by vineyard manager Bob Wilson during this dry period meant the vineyard flourished. There's no doubting that in years to come the 2013 wines will be considered to be up there with the best Tatiarra has produced if not the very best.

**Colour:** Impenetrable inky black purple colour

**Nose:** Lifted aromas of liquorice ripe blackberries and black cherries are dominate with nuances of vanillin oak and pepper also present.

**Palate:** Full bodied, the wine possesses magnificent richness and power along with a solid robust structure. Very concentrated flavours of liquorice, ripe blackberry, black cherries, dark plum and vanilla are followed by pepper and spice. Exceptional depth and persistence of flavour. Superb rock like structure with an exceptionally long aftertaste. Cellar 10-15 years.

**Alc/Vol:** 14.8%

**Bottled with Stelvin Seal.**

**Packed in 6 x 750ml Cartons**



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