



SITTELLA

2018 Frankland River Reserve Shiraz

Region's: Frankland River

Vintage: 2018

Vineyard: Powder bark Ridge

Variety: 100% Shiraz

pH: 3.49

TA: 6.98g/l

Alcohol: 14.0%

Oak: Aged 18 months (30% New French oak / 70% Seasoned French oak)

Soil type: Gravel/loam

Style: A Unique single vineyard wine of great age ability and regional character

Volume: 3000 bottles made

Cellaring: 5-15 years

Winemakers: Colby Quirk & Yuri Berns

Wine: This Wine represents a return to Frankland River for us, to a site and plot well known to winemakers that produces typical regional characters of the region accompanied by intense concentration. Powder bark ridge is an established plot situated at the top of a ridge in Frankland that receives optimum sunlight and cool night time temperatures.

The 2018 Vintage for the Great Southern was an outstanding vintage with consistent growing conditions experienced across the sub-regions. Outstanding flowering followed by a season of outstanding growing conditions followed without any heat spikes. The result has been another of great concentration and amazingly intense color and flavor.

Frankland River has been known for its intently dark and concentrated Shiraz wines, due to its dry and cool summer growing conditions. It is also known for making Shiraz wines with intense violet and pepper characters unique to some of the best Shiraz growing regions around the world. This Reserve from an important vineyard in Frankland River will continue to feature in Sittella's core range of Western Australian wines.

Vinification: Berry de-stemmed and fermented in open top fermenters, this wine was left on skins to ferment for over 20 days. Pressed off straight to premium French oak barrels in order to preserve this wines unique aromatics and to harmonize with the French oak immediately. Blended and bottled after 18 months ageing in barrel.

Tasting: Black and white pepper aromas accompanied by sweet cherry and plum characters bring this wines fruit presence to life. Soft velvety well balanced tannins with fantastic fruit sweet character justify why this regions Shiraz is so sought after.