

ROBERT OATLEY

Signature Series

FOUNDER'S NOTE

With over forty years of winemaking experience I've learnt there are two important elements when it comes to creating great wine. Firstly, the best wines show a true sense of the land – that ideal combination of grape variety and region. Secondly, they taste even better when shared with friends. I hope you enjoy drinking these wines as much as we enjoyed making them.

ROBERT OATLEY, AO BEM (1928-2016)

ROBERT OATLEY SIGNATURE SERIES

The Robert Oatley Signature Series draws on a remarkable portfolio of vineyards nurtured by the winemaking talent of Larry Cherubino showcasing Australia's most successful wine styles and regions. Bob Oatley's mantra was that all wines should be a "darned good drink", and the high quality Signature Series delivers immediate appeal, with satisfying flavours over an elegant frame. Each wine embodies the grape varietal and region in which it was grown.

HEATHCOTE SHIRAZ 2015

REGION NOTES: HEATHCOTE, VICTORIA

The central Victorian region of Heathcote is renowned for its compelling Shiraz wines – the variety as dominant in plantings as it is distinctive in style. James Halliday describes it as "mouthfilling and mouth-coating, densely coloured and richlyflavoured, its texture akin to a great tapestry, helping to highlight its multifaceted taste."

WINEMAKING NOTES

A warm growing season delivered above average crops of very good quality. Handpicked and sorted across 12 separate batches from a number of blocks, fermented in a combination of open and closed vessels with three batches undergoing 20% whole bunch fermentation. Matured for 12 months in 20% new oak – a mix of hogsheads and large cuves. Will age well to at least 2025.

TASTING NOTE

Soft, fleshy-textured Shiraz displaying blueberries and spice, supple tannins and stylish French oak influence.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alc/vol: 14.0% pH: 3.66 RS: 1.36 g/L TA: 5.98 g/L CLOSURE: Stelvin Lux+



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