



PETER LEHMANN

Barossa

CRAFTED IN THE BAROSSA SINCE 1979.

## 2014 BLACK QUEEN SPARKLING SHIRAZ

Often referred to as the 'Jewel in our Crown', our Black Queen Sparkling Shiraz is a unique and indulgent wine crafted from premium vineyards in South Australia's Barossa region. This regal sparkling wine boasts bold flavours and a fine, persistent and elegant bead.

Sparkling Shiraz is a unique Australian wine style, first developed in South Australia in the late 1800s. Former Peter Lehmann Chief Winemaker, Andrew Wigan, was attracted to the style as a young winemaker. He aspired to make a great sparkling wine from Barossa Shiraz and he began working with Peter Lehmann in the 1970s.



### Winemaker's Note

Bright red with a dense black core, the aroma is abundant in plum, blueberry and dark chocolate aromas. The palate is quintessential Black Queen Sparkling Shiraz. The wine is soft and abundant in rich blue fruits with a lovely Christmas cake like finish. It presents naturally low in tannins, with a fine, persistent and elegant bead.

### Vintage Conditions

The 2014 vintage started with very hot weather but was interrupted by two days of heavy rain in mid-February, after which the weather settled down to wonderful Indian summer conditions for the remainder of vintage. This allowed grapes to ripen slowly and evenly, producing red and white wines of exceptional quality.

### Vineyards

Sourced from three premium vineyards in the Nurioopta, Light Pass and Ebenezer districts.

### Winemaking & Maturation

Fermented on skins for 7-10 days, pressed, clarified and then matured for 12 months in older French oak hogsheads. The base wine was then bottle-fermented and aged on its yeast lees for five years. After degorgement, a small amount of The King Vintage Port was added to build complexity.

### Enjoy

Often referred to as the 'Jewel in our Crown' our Black Queen Sparkling Shiraz is a true celebratory wine. It matches beautifully with food - try it with oysters, roast turkey or Peking duck pancakes. Or for a unique and indulgent Sunday, it is wonderful enjoyed at a lazy brunch with friends. Served chilled.

### Cellaring

Best enjoyed now, however will develop further in the cellar for another 5-10 years.

### Analysis

Alc/Vol 14.0%    TA 5.51g/L    pH 3.63    RS 27.8g/L\*

\*Glucose & Fructose

Nigel Westblade, Chief Winemaker



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