

TASTING NOTES



B & W Wines

YALUMBA 'THE STRAPPER' GSM, 2013

BACKGROUND

YALUMBA WINES HAVE A STYLE ALL OF THEIR OWN AND EACH HAVE BEEN INFLUENCED BY A DIVERSE RANGE OF ELEMENTS. ELEMENTS YALUMBA LIKES TO CALL 'THE CONTROLLABLES', SUCH AS THE YALUMBA VINE NURSERY AND ON-SITE COOPERAGE — AS WELL AS OTHER FACTORS THAT CANNOT BE EMULATED BY ANY OTHER WINERY. YALUMBA'S HISTORY AND TRADITION COMBINED WITH A REPUTATION FOR INNOVATION. YALUMBA HAS BEEN AT THE FOREFRONT OF INTRODUCING NEW WINE STYLES TO AUSTRALIAN DRINKERS OVER THE PAST DECADE; PERFUMED WHITE VIOGNIER AND SLINKY, SUPPLE RED TEMPRANILLO.

YALUMBA ALSO LEADS THE INDUSTRY IN ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE; REDUCING CARBON EMISSIONS, INCREASING BIODIVERSITY AND EXPLORING ORGANIC VITICULTURE. AS WELL AS LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, IT HAS BEEN CELEBRATING ITS 160-YEAR-OLD BAROSSA HERITAGE BY DEVELOPING AN OLD VINE CHARTER, AND RELEASING REDS FROM ANCIENT SHIRAZ AND GRENACHE PLANTS. 'REMAINING ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S OLDEST, LARGEST AND MOST PRESTIGIOUS FAMILY OWNED COMPANIES, YALUMBA'S TOP WINES SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED AMONGST THE LIMELIGHT-HOGGING YOUNG-GUN WINES THAT HAVE SPRUNG-UP AROUND THE BAROSSA IN THE LAST 20 YEARS.' (LISA PERROTTI-BROWN, MW, EROBERTPARKER.COM, DEC. 2010)

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DEEP GARNET IN COLOUR, THIS IS A WINE OF MANY LAYERS. IT SHOWS LIQUORICE, BLACKBERRY AND PLUM, SUPPORTED BY NOTES OF SANDALWOOD AND WHITE PEPPER. A ROBUST PALATE, FULL OF CHOCOLATE AND JUICY PLUM, WITH A GRAVELLY TANNIN FINISH MAKE IT A GREAT ACCOMPANIMENT TO BBQ T-BONE AND SEASONED WEDGES.

REVIEWS

4 1/2 STARS (OUT OF 5), ROD PHILLIPS (RODPHILLIPSONWINE.COM):

"IT'S A HAPPY COINCIDENCE THAT GSM, THE GRENACHE-SYRAH-MOURVÈDRE BLEND, WORKS EQUALLY WELL WHEN YOU CALL SYRAH 'SHIRAZ' AND MOURVÈDRE 'MATARO.' 'THE STRAPPER' IS A STRAPPING RED, FULL OF RIPE FRUIT THAT'S SOLID FROM ATTACK TO FINISH. IT'S FULL-BODIED AND FULL-FLAVOURED, WITH GOOD STRUCTURE AND ACID-FRUIT BALANCE. THE TEXTURE IS QUITE GENEROUS AND FLESHY, AND THERE'S A SLIGHT GRITTIENESS TO THE TANNINS, BUT NOTHING THAT GETS IN THE WAY OF THE ESSENTIAL FRUIT. DRINK THIS NOW AND OVER THE NEXT TWO OR THREE YEARS - BY THE END OF THE DECADE, FOR SURE."



VINTAGE: 2013

WINERY: YALUMBA ([HTTP://WWW.YALUMBA.COM/](http://www.yalumba.com/))

REGION: SOUTH AUSTRALIA

AVAILABILITY: AVAILABLE NOW IN VINTAGES

LCBO NUMBER: 295873

BOTTLE SIZE: 750 ML

COMPOSITION: GRENACHE/GARNACHA, SHIRAZ / SYRAH AND MOURVEDRE