

## 2015 Reserve Shiraz



Region: Mudgee, NSW

Variety: Shiraz 100%

**Overview:** The Reserve Range of wines are produced using the best fruit off the Robert Stein Vineyard. These wines are made to reflect the outstanding quality of the vineyard, and the best of the flavours and characteristics which the Mudgee Region offers.

**Tasting Notes:** This Reserve Shiraz is a true expression of our 1976 Block N, planted by our family in 1976. A deep Ruby red hue leads to aromas of glazed cherry and earth notes. The palate is medium bodied but with good concentration of black fruits, savoury tannins and great length. This Reserve Shiraz would benefit from cellaring and we recommend decanting before serving.

**Vintage Conditions:** The 2015 was the first warm year in a while, and the season provided some great growing conditions that produced excellent quality fruit with good concentration and balance.

Analysis: Alc/Vol: 14.5%,

**Winemaking:** The hand-picked fruit was fermented in small open fermenters, and hand plunged several times daily. Only the best barrels of the batch were included in the Reserve blend. The resulting wine displays a strong bouquet of blackberry and earth, with a soft but pronounced tannin structure. This wine has been minimally fined and filtered and we recommend decanting before serving.

**Food pairing:** a good beef dish, something like ash crusted beef or a classic Beef Wellington.