



GRAPE-TO-GLASS

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Kilikanoon 'Oracle' Shiraz 2016

Grape Varietal:	100% Shiraz
Growing Region:	Clare Valley - Australia
Founder / Winemaker:	Kevin Mitchell
Chief Winemaker:	Peter Warr - <i>*(joined in late 2018)</i>



Kilikanoon wines was established in 1997 by Kevin Mitchell, with two vineyards owned by Kevin and his father Mort and built a reputation for crafting wines with a strong regional and varietal typicity. Even though the majority of Kilikanoon was sold in late 2017 - Kevin is still sharing his passion with the new winemaking team, but this 2016 expression is all Kevin and what a special wine it is.

This 'Oracle' Shiraz is a flagship wine for Kilikanoon, sourced from old vine Clare Valley Shiraz comprising the best 4 vineyard parcels from vines planted along the 'Golden Hillside' in Leasingham by Kevin's father Mort in the 1960's and 70's. Made in an opulent and regional style to showcase the best of Clare Valley terroir. The 'Oracle' Shiraz has been awarded World's Best Shiraz by the International Wine & Spirit Competition in London on three previous occasions.

Selected from low yielding parcels of Shiraz which were vinified separately, then aged for 18 months in a selection of new and one year old French oak barrels. The final cuvée was assembled and bottled unfinned and unfiltered, then allowed to rest for a period of time in the bottle before release.

Your glass will be filled by a rich black-red colour and shining hue. The hypnotic nose instantly blinds your senses with aromas of blackberries, liquorice, dark plums, cacao, truffles, spices, black olives, cracked pepper and smoky vanilla oak. These gather and grow across the broad palate with a layered concentration and textural quality, confidently adding to its enduring legacy. Your senses are fully engaged by its generosity and intensely flavoured dark berries, bitter-chocolate, mixed spices and raw character, wrapped in silky tannins and supported by refined oak resulting in a captivating finish. *Treat yourself - this wine is definitely worth sharing.*

This 2016 Kilikanoon 'Oracle' Shiraz has 14.5% Alc./vol. Mild decanting for 35-45 minutes and serve in a generously shaped wine glass at 16° - 18°C.

Cellaring Potential:

With decanting, drinking this season; and will age nicely for another 8 - 10 years.

Food Pairing Suggestions:

Perfect wine pairing with prime cuts of meat grilled or bbq'd, wild game ragout and pasta dishes with a rich wine-jus, well-seasoned earthy vegetarian dishes, and aged hard cheeses - *enjoy.*

An opulent Clare Valley Shiraz with style and a memorable character.

