

Magpie Estate 'The Election' Shiraz 2010



Grape Varieties 100% Shiraz

Region Barossa Valley

Alcohol 14.5%

Aging Potential Like all Magpie Estate wines this can be enjoyed young, but to really enjoy it at its best drink from 2013 and will cellar happily for 10+ years.

Food Matching Like all Magpie Estate wines we believe in drinkability and versatility. This full-bodied red really needs rich food. Drink with aged fillet steak, venison and rich casseroles. It demands fine red meat to show its true colours.

This is the sixth release of our super premium Barossa Shiraz. The Election is only made in the best years unlike many so-called super premiums or reserve styles. The selection process for the Election begins with our best vineyards and continues in the winery with rigorous barrel tasting to ensure that only the finest lots of the vintage make the final blend. 2010 was an exceptional vintage for Shiraz, relatively cool and long allowing fruit to come in with great flavour and balance. Aged in 65% new French, and 35% new American oak, we make our first selection some 10 months after vintage and then change the oaks to get as much complexity as possible. Older oak and some new French and American barrels were used in the second round of maturation.

From the outstanding Barossa vintage of 2010, this wine displays a deep colour with a powerful nose. Damson, black cherry, cassis, meat and spice with lots of toasty oak. On the palate this powerful Barossa Shiraz has great texture with, meat, black cherry, spice, black pepper, mocha, and vanillin oak. Dense and powerful it retains good acidity that adds freshness to the wine. It's big and opulent but not overpowering. Sure to cellar well. Vote Magpie Estate!