

## Cellar Door Exclusive

# Kangaroo Island Shiraz 2018



#### The Name

The rugged beauty that is Kangaroo Island is found at the foot of the Fleurieu Peninsula in South Australia approximately 2 hours south of Adelaide. Locally, the island is referred to as simply "KI" and it is a favourite destination of ours for rest and relaxation.

## **Vintage Conditions**

Approximately 90 kilometres south of the Maxwell winery, Kangaroo Island is distinguished by a cooler maritime climate compared to our McLaren Vale vineyards, with the surrounding sea playing a key role in moderating daily temperatures. There are often strong, cool, fresh breezes coursing through the vineyards. The property is close to sea level, and the Shiraz vines are over 20 years old.

## Colour & Aroma

The colour is deep red with bright crimson hues. The bouquet is elegant with red berry fruit, dried herbs and vanilla.

## **Pairing**

Cauliflower pannacotta with torched scallops and cauliflower variation.

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#### **Palate**

KI shiraz delivers all the hallmarks that make the combination of this variety and the Kangaroo Island region so unique - a well balanced palate shows flavours of lifted red cherry, plum and white pepper. This is a medium bodied wine with subtle use of French oak providing fine long tannins.

#### Technical Notes

Varietal Composition: Shiraz 100%

Region (GI): Kangaroo Island Oak Maturation: 12 months in old

French oak.

Alcohol:

14.5% Alc./Vol.

TA:

6.3g/L

pH: 3.62

Winemakers:

Kate Petering & Mark Maxwell Winemaker comments:

This wine is made to enjoy upon release, however it is expected that it will continue to mature to 5 years of age.