



# MOUNT PLEASANT

## Phil Ryan Limited Release Shiraz 2008

<b>Vineyard Region:</b>	Heathcote 74.1%, McLaren Vale 15.3%, Hunter Valley 10.6%
<b>Vintage Conditions:</b>	Excellent growing conditions provided high quality fruit with pure, fresh varietal character
<b>Grape Varietal:</b>	100 per cent Shiraz
<b>Vinification &amp; Maturation:</b>	A combination of heading down and pumping the juice over the skins during the fermentation period allowed for good extraction of flavour and colour. Maturation in high quality oak gave the wine excellent balance.
<b>Winemaker Phil Ryan's Notes:</b>	
<b>Colour:</b>	Dark cherry red
<b>Aroma:</b>	Spicy red berry with luscious prune and date notes
<b>Palate:</b>	Rich dark cherry and blackberry with mocha and nutmeg oak spice
<b>Chef Peter Howard's Food Suggestions:</b> Stir fry beef and pesto; Roast veal fillet and wild mushroom compote with Shiraz jus	
<b>Wine Analysis:</b>	Alc/Vol: 15.0% pH: 3.63 TA: 6.75 g/L
<b>Peak Drinking:</b>	Drinking beautifully now and will cellar magnificently for up to 10 years from vintage
<b>Last Tasted:</b>	December 2009

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