

2007 JOHN DUVAL WINES ENTITY SHIRAZ

Review Summary



94 pts - Best of the Best by Variety “A fragrant bouquet and high-toned palate, quality oak an essential part of the wine; an almost European restraint in its make-up.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2010

93 pts “It displays an alluring nose of wood smoke, game, meat blood, Asian spices, and blueberry. Ripe and sweetly-fruited, this plush effort conceals enough structure to evolve for another 2-3 years.”

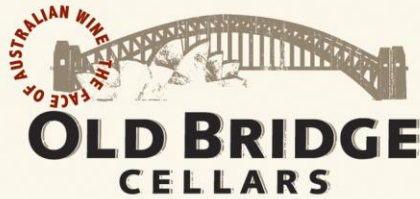
Jay Miller
Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
December 2009, Issue #186

93 pts “Dark berries, iron, Asian spices and cracked pepper on the nose. Silky in texture, offering sweet blackcurrant and blueberry flavors and supple tannins. Turns livelier with air, taking a turn to zestier red fruits while retaining power. Strikingly pure and juicy, with excellent finishing clarity and a strong echo of raspberry fruit.”

Josh Raynolds
Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
July/August 2009

92 pts “Opaque purple-plum color. The aromatic nose is a hedonist’s delight, offering up oodles of spiced blackberry syrup, fleshy plum, eucalyptus, and a dash of pepper. Fruit-driven in the mouth, the laser-sharp thick blackberry fruit follows straight through to the long finish. Some chunky tannins kick in mid-palate – a few years in the cellar should see this wine improve.”

Glen Frederiksen
Wine Lines Online
July 2011



92 pts “Firm, focused and juicy, with orange peel-scented cherry and spice flavors, this feels like it’s holding something back despite the generosity of flavor. Lingers well against fine tannins.”

Harvey Steiman
Wine Spectator
September 30, 2009

89 pts “Many of the 2007 Shirazes from South Australia exhibit slightly gritty tannins, and Duval’s Entity is a prime example. There’s ample concentration and attractive raspberry fruit, pointed up by darker, savory overtones of olive and chocolate. Then on the finish, that tough quality emerges, imparting a hint of coffee grounds.”

Joe Czerwinski
Wine Enthusiast
March 2010

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★★★★★ “Defining the meaning of “seamless” with raspberry choc bullet elements, a little smoky influence, spot on riper fruit and near perfect balance.”

Tony Love
The Adelaide Advertiser
March 2010

95 pts “This 2007 Entity Shiraz from John Duval Wines is nothing short of spectacular. For those who short-sightedly think that Australia produces only jammy fruit bombs, you are mistaken. While this Shiraz is full of wonderful fruit flavors, it is not overly sweet. There is so much going on with the nose that you wonder how all of those aromas fit into the bottle. Dark juicy berries, violet, black pepper, dark chocolate, and menthol are predominant with some hints of clove and black licorice upon further examination. In the mouth is an extremely full bodied wine with dark red fruits, plum, chocolate and spices that linger what seems like for days in the mouth. Again, not overly fruity, but a delectable wine that is prime for drinking now, or for the next 20+ years. Stellar!”

Jeff Lawson
www.midwestwineguy.com Blog
March 28, 2011