

2007 ZONTE'S FOOTSTEP SHIRAZ VIOGNIER

Review Summary



90 pts The 2006 Shiraz-Viognier 6% has been an annual best buy in these pages. It was aged in 20% new oak. Dark ruby/purple-colored, it has an alluring, slightly kinky nose of wild blueberries, smoked sausage, and bacon. This is followed by a ripe, seamless, easy-to-understand wine with a lengthy, fruit-filled finish. Drink this hedonistic effort over the next three years.

Jay Miller, Robert Parker's International Wine Cellar
August 2008

89 pts "Deep ruby. Youthfully brooding blackberry and plum aromas brighten with air, taking a turn to raspberry and cherry. Fresh red and dark berry flavors are enlivened by juicy acidity and firmed by fine-grained tannins. Finishes with good sappy persistence and lingering berry flavor. Offers considerable fruity appeal.

Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar
Jul/Aug 2008

89 pts "Perfumed, typical fruit flavours of the blend; throws the emphasis onto that fruit and away from structure into a cheerful early-drinking style."

James Halliday
2009 Wine Companion

88 pts "Smooth in texture and medium-bodied, showing bright blackberry and boysenberry fruit that's shaded with hints of apricot and floral notes on the finish. Drink now through 2012. 1,500 cases imported."

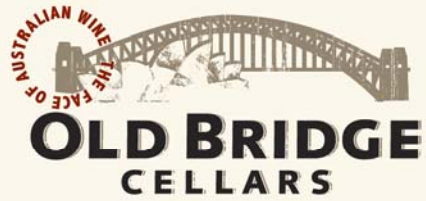
Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator, Great Australian Reds
October 15, 2008

87 pts "Packs a punch, delivering plenty of weight and intensity. The blend includes 6% Viognier, but its no apricot-laden Shiraz-Viognier, instead offering up slightly peppery, meaty, plummy notes and a rich mix of spicy-savory dark fruit."

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
October 31, 2009

84 pts - BEST BUY "Warm blueberry flavors meet a lot of oak in this simple, toasty shiraz. Serve it slightly chilled around the grill."

Wine & Spirits - 'Australia's Best'
February 2009



★★ “There is nothing shy about this powerhouse wine. Bold flavors of tar, licorice and blackberry are woven with notes of raspberry jam and fine-grained tannins.”

Anthony Giglio
Food & Wine Wine Guide 2011

