



## THE BOXER SHIRAZ

### 2012 Tech Sheet



**MARQUIS FRUIT WEIGHT**  
*Our guarantee of quality*

**Required: 65% - 70% Actual: 72%**

Marquis Fruit Weight™ is the percentage of your palate (from the tip of your tongue going all the way back) that's covered by the velvety sensation of fruit, before you experience any of the structural components of the wine.

Wine Name: The Boxer  
Vintage: 2012  
Country: Australia

Region: 65% McLaren Vale:  
35% Langhorne Creek, South Australia

Grape Varietal: Shiraz

Barrel fermented and matured:  
100% American oak  
69% new; 31% one year old

Alc/Vol: 16%  
Residual sugar: 3.6  
pH: 3.7

Production: 20,496 doz

RRP: \$25

Label: The very first person to taste this wine said "It's a knockout!" so we named it The Boxer. Did you notice he is a double Mollydooker?

This year the grapes from our own Mollydooker Coppermine Road, Long Gully Road and Home blocks in McLaren Vale, harvested between 9th and 20th March, are the backbone of The Boxer. They give it amazing depth and richness, length and persistence. The slightly cooler climate grapes from the Birchmore and Joppich Vineyards in Langhorne Creek, harvested on 23rd and 24th March, add a floral lift and elegance.

### Scores & Reviews

Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2012 The Boxer Shiraz opens with tons of intense chocolate, vanilla and spice intermingling with an aromatic core of ripe and berry preserves. Very big, full and rich, it is so concentrated you could practically stand a spoon up in the glass. The medium-level velvety tannins hold through the long, slightly hot, finish. Drink it now to 2017.  
*Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate*

Dark and spicy, with a peppery edge to the black olive-accented blackberry flavors, finishing with a touch of heat. Drink now through 2018.  
*Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator*

2012 Winestate 5 Stars  
2010 WA 91 pts;  
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2008 WS 91 pts and 'Best Buy of the Week'; WA 91 pts  
2007 WA 93 pts; WS 90 pts and "Editor's Most Exciting New Wines"  
2006 WA 94 pts and 'Excellent Value under \$25'; WS 90 pts and 'Top Value Wine'  
2005 WA 95 pts and 'Best Buy under \$20'; WS 91 pts  
Voted #1 in 2012 Smooth People's Voice Awards 'Super Premium Shiraz Category'  
Voted #2 in 2008, 2009 and 2010 in Wine & Spirits' Most Popular Shiraz on American Wine Lists