Neil Ashmead Grand Tourer Shiraz 2019



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August 2021

This is a parcel in Greenock with rich blueberry and blackberry aromas and some gentle ginger, as well as blood orange and orange peel. The palate has a very sleek and freshly vivid feel and such attractive build of spice on the finish. This has power with grace and the French oak really works well, as does the aging on lees. Reminiscent of Penfolds RWT and certainly a clear winner in the value stakes. Drink over the next decade.

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Estate fruit from Greenock. Matured 21 months in 40% new French oak puncheons and hogsheads. Layers of spicy red and black berry/cherry fruits are well defined on the bouquet. Firm, new French oak asserts its presence on the back palate in both high-cocoa dark chocolate impact and firm, dry tannin grip. It boasts the fruit carry to hold out, making this a Grand Tourer to go the distance.

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November 2022 The mint-inflected blackberries on the nose of the 2019 Neil Ashmead Grand Tourer Shiraz are strikingly pure and vibrant. This vintage is sourced entirely from the Greenock property, so perhaps that's a contributing factor. Aged two years in 40% new French oak, it's medium to full-bodied, concentrated and briary, with firm but silky tannins and plenty of length on the finish.

