

YALUMBA

The Scribbler 2008

This Cabernet Sauvignon & Shiraz wine draws on the strong heritage and unmatched diversity found in Australia's most celebrated wine region, the Barossa.

'The Scribbler' pays homage to one of Yalumba's most renowned wines 'The Signature' Cabernet Sauvignon & Shiraz, made continuously since 1962. 'The Scribbler' re-enforces our dedication to this wine style and celebrates its provenance to Barossa.



WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

Select parcels were hand picked and crushed to Yalumba's eight tonne open top stainless steel fermenters. The balance was machine harvested and fermented in static fermenters. The natural or 'wild' yeasts present on the grape skins were allowed to initiate the sugar fermentation. Cultured winery yeasts were then added to complete this process. The result is a wine with excellent depth of colour, richness and complexity.

The Scribbler 2008 is dense crimson purple in colour with a very appealing nose, displaying excellent concentration of dark fruits, spices, liquorice and dark olives. Fresh aromas of violets and lavender are present. The palate is silky and elegant, tasting of sweet blackcurrants and blueberries. The Shiraz is nicely layered within a tightly integrated and beautifully structured Cabernet Sauvignon palate. Ideal to drink now, but will certainly cellar well over the next 5-10 years. Perfect with a game pie on a truffled parmesan and parsnip mash.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The 2007/08 season will certainly be remembered as one of the Barossa's most difficult, due to the on-going effects of drought and a record heatwave. Following on from another relatively dry winter, good spring rains freshened up the vines and healthy crops were established. Average temperatures, combined with dry conditions and cool evenings, were all perfect for the flavour development of Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon. However, on the 10th March an extreme heatwave arrived in the region, causing very rapid ripening and shrivelling of grapes and a subsequent drop in fruit quality. Fortunately the majority of our fruit was harvested prior to the heatwave and as such this 2008 The Scribbler Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz shows very good colour, varietal definition, balance, richness and fruit persistence.

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VINTAGE INFORMATION

Vintage	2008
Region	Barossa
Winemaker	Kevin Glestonbury
Harvested	February & March 2008
Treatment	Matured for 12 months in 18% new oak barrels. The oak origin is; 59% American, 35% French and 6% Hungarian.
Alc/Vol	14%
Total Acid	6.5 g/L
pH	3.5
Cellaring	Ideal to drink now, but will certainly cellar well over the next 5-10 years

