



2017 lieu dit Malakoff Shiraz

This majestic Shiraz comes from the spectacular Malakoff estate, low-yielding (less than 1 ton per acre), high-concentration vineyard site in Central Victoria. Gone is the over-ripe, alcoholic in-your-face style of so many Australian Shiraz wines. In its place is a medium bodied wine wrapped in a silky texture that is a revelation of what Australian Shiraz can be when made by one of the great winemakers of Syrah. This variety has been interpreted by two renowned wine families; Rhône master Michel Chapoutier together with wine authority and Napa Valley vintner Anthony Terlato. The soil profile of the Malakoff vineyard is remarkably similar to that of France's northern Rhône Valley and the climate is ideal for growing superior quality Shiraz.

Appellation:	Pyrenees
Varietals:	100% Shiraz
Color:	Deep ruby
Aroma:	Complex and intense aromas of forest fruit (blueberries and wild cherries) with undertones of dark chocolate and mint.
Taste:	Explosive black berry and black plum flavors with perfectly matched elegant tannins that give the wine a long, lasting aftertaste. Full-bodied, slightly woody.
Fermentation:	The grapes are de-stemmed and fermented in cement or stainless steel tanks. Maceration lasts 3 to 4 weeks in order to extract soft and elegant tannins.
Aging:	100% of the wine is aged for 12 months in French oak barrels and concrete vat.

Features

- **Expertise of Michel Chapoutier** at a fraction of the price of his Rhône wines.
- **Unbelievable scores and press reviews** vintage after vintage.
- **Biodynamically farmed** in the signature M. Chapoutier mono-varietal style.

Benefits

- Consumers recognize the incredible value of these wines.
- 90+ scores create customer demand and pull.
- Michel Chapoutier's biodynamic approach appeals to eco-conscious consumers who associate environmentally aware growing practices with quality.

Competitive Set

- Heathcote Estate
- Balmoral Syrah

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