

# REVIEWS & ACCOLADES

## 2019 The Holy Thirst

### Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz



Winepilot.com, Ray Jordan - DEC 2023

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**97 POINTS**

"An exquisitely poised and balanced 50/50 blend of these great partners in wine. This is a result of blending the best barrels of Cabernet and Shiraz after being treated separately throughout the winemaking process. A beautiful mix of blackcurrant, black olive and bright intense plum on the nose. But it is the palate where the real majesty of this wine emerges seamlessly woven into an intense highly focused palate that drives relentlessly to a very long finish."

The Winefront, Campbell Mattinson - OCT 2023

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**95 POINTS**

"Once upon a time a wine like this would have been overloaded with thick, syrupy oak. This wine is not. It's both deep and fresh, its blackcurrant fruit flavours freshened with boysenberry and mint, its tobacco nuances complemented by woodsmoke and cedar. The tannin here is ultra fine but, yet, strung from the mid-palate onwards, and as we all know: the earlier the tannin starts, in the context of balance, the better. There are some volatile characters on the nose here but they don't detract; this is a terrific wine, fresh, confident, medium in weight, and sustained."

Halliday Wine Companion, Ned Goodwin MW - AUG 2023

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**94 POINTS**

"This is a slick, full-weighted wine. Heavily worked. Lots of oak, conferring accents of coffee grind, Brylcreem and mocha. Sweet fruit emerges from the seams, tasting like Cherry Ripe, raspberry bon-bon and coconut brittle. A strap of licorice-crusted tannins a welcome restraining device to the hedonism. Bolshy length. I'm sure that this will age well."

Decanter World Wine Awards - JUN 2023

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**91 POINTS**

"Bright and lifted fruits and plums on the nose, mulberry hints. Intense and bright on the palate, very firm."

Vinous, Angus Hughson - FEB 2023

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**96 POINTS**

"The 2019 Holy Thirst, a rare, sophisticated and beautifully ripened Cabernet Shiraz blend, has classic written all over it. The fruit is profound and focused. An amalgam of powerful cassis and mulberry aromas is lifted by cedar and earth; high-quality oak provides the canvas. It then offers an impressive mix of structure and fruit, both dense and seamless, before a long, aristocratic finish. It's already in the groove and will stay there for at least a decade, if not two."

