



The revelation that is a Kingston Estate shiraz



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BEST Shiraz at \$12 and \$15

Bill Moularadellis, at Kingston Estate, has turned a tiny operation at “Kingston on Murray” in the South Australian Riverland in 1979 into one of Australia’s largest wineries.

He is bigger than Penfolds, Seppelts, Yalumba and probably 10 times the size of the Houghton Wine Company in terms of production volume.

Kingston Estate Shiraz 2008

This is a revelation.

It is shows long, deep restrained shiraz fruit.

It is ripe but not “porty”, has reasonable length and has appealing fruit to the very finish and is still young and reticent.

It was the value that was attention grabbing – as you will be able to find it for as a low as \$11.95

(perhaps \$10.95?) by the case. 17.8 points and RRP: \$14.60

Chapel Hill Parsons Nose Shiraz 2008

Chapel Hill’s Swiss owners, apart from vineyards at home and in Argentina, must be thrilled with what they have been seeing at their Australian subsidiary since Winemaker Michael Fragos arrived in 2005. (Last year he was named The Winemaker of the Year at London’s prestigious International Wine and Spirit Competition.)

There are enticing, youthful and high quality varietal shiraz fruit fragrances on the nose.

It is young, restrained, intense and dense as well as being soft, voluminous, textured and delicious.

This can be purchased for as

low as \$15 in case lots.

18.2pts and \$19 RRP

Ring Matthew on 0419044032 for stockists for each of these wines.



Kingston Estate managing director and chief winemaker Bill Moularadellis.