



MILLBROOK
Winery

WINE	Millbrook Estate Shiraz Viognier	
VINTAGE	2007	
REGION	Perth Hills (Estate)	100%
VARIETIES	Shiraz	93%
	Viognier	7%

VINTAGE NOTES

The estate-grown vines were planted in 1996 on a shallow lateritic gravel soil ridge with a south-west aspect. The growing season was ideal for the red grape varieties, which resulted in spicy and ripe berry characters in the resultant fruit. Shoot and bunch thinning allowed optimum ripening at a crop level of 2.2 tonnes per acre.

The fruit was handpicked, de-stemmed and chilled to 10°C for cold soaking upon a layer of whole bunch Viognier in open top fermenters. After inoculation the caps were hand-plunged twice daily and temperatures were kept below 30°C. Fermentation typically lasts 12–14 days. After settling, all batches were racked to oak for malolactic fermentation.

The 100% French oak used was 40% new, 40% one-year-old and 20% two-year-old from the Saury cooperage. After 20 months maturation the wine was minimally filtered and bottled in February 2009.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol 14.0%, pH 3.40, TA 6.50 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Colour	Bright, deep ruby red with purple hues.
Aroma	The wine reveals a wonderful array of red fruit and spice, with underlying chocolate and toasted oak on the nose.
Palate	A full-bodied wine with red and black berry fruit characters and a succulent mid-palate. Excellent oak integration and ripe fruit are finely balanced with elegant and persistent tannins.

CELLARING

Potential to age for 10–15 years.

SHOW SUCCESS

★★★★★	Winestate Magazine, Best of Western Australia 2010
Bronze	Six medals to date

