



WILLOW BRIDGE  
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FERGUSON VALLEY

# 2013 Black Dog Shiraz



It was the vintage of 2001, when a cellarhand called out to the Winemaker during a red pumpover, "this wine is as Black as a Dog's guts!", and on that fateful day, the premium shiraz from Willow Bridge had a new name. Black Dog.

The fruit is sourced from a gravel clay block, north east facing, backing on to the Wellington Forest, painfully low yields, but producing a wine of intense varietal character.

Estate grown fruit, handled fastidiously, matured painstakingly.

## Winemaking

<b>Variety</b>	Shiraz 100%
<b>Region</b>	Geographe 100%
<b>Alcohol</b>	13.4%
<b>PH</b>	3.49
<b>Residual Sugar</b>	dry (<2g/L)
<b>Total Acidity</b>	6.2 g/L
<b>Fermentation</b>	Crushed cool to static fermenters for eight days, peak temperature 28 degrees Celsius, 100% barrel matured in new (25%) and older french hogsheads.

*18 months maturation in oak, 3 years in bottle, a stunning example of Western Australian Shiraz.*

## Tasting Note/Flavour Profile

Bouquet of roasted warm beetroot, earthy and sweet, blueberry and baked plums, pie crust and a sprig of rosemary.

Delicious, rich and warming. Intense undercurrent of ripe fruits, balanced perfectly with secondary aged character.

## Cellaring

Up to 20 years.

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