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Heathcote II

290 Cornella-Toolleen Road, Toolleen, Vic 3551 REGION Heathcote 7 (03) 5433 6292 F (03) 5433 6293 www.heathcote2.com OPEN Wends 10-5 WINEMAKER Peder Rosdal EST. 1995 CASES 500

This is the venture of Danish-born, French-trained, Flying Winemaker (California, Spain and Chablis) Peder Rosdal and Lionel Flutto. The establishment of the vineyard dates back to 1995, new plantings in 2004 lifted the total to a little over 5 ha, shiraz with the lion's share of 2.2 ha, then cabernet sauvignon (1.3 ha) with around 0.5 ha each of cabernet franc, merlot and tempranillo. The vines are dry-grown on the famed red Cambrian soil, and since 2004 the wines made onsite. Open fermentation, hand-plunging, basket press and (since 2004) French oak maturation are the techniques used.

Shiraz 2004 Typical deep Heathcote colour; abundant blackberry, dark chocolate, licorice and spice fruit; powerfully built with excellent tannin structure; has absorbed the oak.

Cork. 15° alc. RATING 95 DRINK 2017 \$ 32

Shiraz 2003 Good colour; has a certain elegance notwithstanding the alcohol; quite firm black fruits and spice, but not quite the velvety fruit of the '04. Cork. 15° alc. RATING 92 DRINK 2015 \$ 32