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2008 Heathcote II, Shiraz

91 Points

Heathcote, Victoria, Australia

Drink: 2011 - 2018

Aged for 22 months in French oak, 30% new, the 2008 Shiraz has a very deep garnet-purple color and wonderfully spicy aromas of cinnamon stick, cloves, cumin and fennel seed over dried plums, mulberries, licorice and warm chocolate. Very full bodied and very crisp, it offers a good mouthful of fruit with a medium-firm level of grainy tannins and a long, slightly warm finish. Approachable now, it should cellar to 2018+.

2008 Heathcote II, HD Shiraz

93+ Points

Heathcote, Victoria, Australia

Drink: 2011-2018

Fermented and aged for 22 months in 100% new French oak, the 2008 HD Shiraz gives a deep garnet-purple color and pronounced notes of blackberry preserves, warm blueberries, mocha and aniseed plus a whiff of prunes. Very full bodied, the rich, opulent fruit is well supported by firm, finely grained tannins and high acidity. The finish is long with lingering notes of dried plums and baking spices. It's delicious now but I expect it has more to give over the next 3-5 years, drinking well until 2019+.

2008 Heathcote II, Myola

91 Points

Heathcote, Victoria, Australia

Drink: 2011 - 2021

The 2008 Myola is a blend of Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon and was matured in French oak for 22 months, 30% new. Deep garnet-purple colored, it presents intense notes of warm black currant and stewed plums over scents of sandalwood and dried Provence herbs. Very full bodied with a very high amount of acid, this is a big, plush version of a Bordeaux blend with plenty of concentrated warm berry flavors and a long finish. It's good now but should improve over the next 4-6 years, drinking to 2021+.