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2004 Heathcote II, Shiraz

94 Points

Heathcote, Victoria, Australia Drink 2006-2021

An impressive specimen from Victoria, the 2004 Shiraz's inky/purple color is followed by beautiful aromas of graphite, scorched earth, blackberries, and black raspberries, striking minerality, and admirable precision. It is full-bodied, powerful, rich, structured, and stacked and packed. The wine's freshness, purity, and intensity suggest it will last for 15 or more years.

2004 Heathcote II, HD Shiraz

95 Points

Heathcote, Victoria, Australia Drink 2008-2026

The 2004 Shiraz Reserve "HD" offers huge notes of blackberry and blueberry liqueur intermixed with crushed rock, white flowers, and subtle new oak. Powerful, full-bodied, muscular, and structured, it is a connoisseur's Shiraz that will benefit from 2-3 years of bottle age. It should last at least two decades.