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13TH VINTAGE RELEASE

Katnook Prodigy Shiraz is one of 65 wines listed in the 'Excellent' category of the Langton's VI, Classification of Australian Wine.

Awards

Silver medal	2016 Hong Kong International Wine & Spirits Competition (Hong Kong)
Silver medal	2016 Decanter Asia Wine Awards (Hong Kong)

Reviews

Australian Gourmet Traveller (Australia), September 2018

The 2012 Katnook Estate Prodigy is showing all sorts of complex flavours from fruit and development – chocolate, coffee, hints of dried herbs and cedar. Bennie waxed lyrical. "Choc-cherry aromas, kirsch, liquorice, green herbs, fennel and gum leaf," he said. "Slick, medium-weight feel, very even, quite elegant. Good, concentrated dark fruit flavours, some pepper/green herb and a long, savoury finish. This is quite lovely. Finishes with some mocha tannin and fresh acidity. Good."

Regan Drew, Vinonotebook (Online), 24 September 2017

Almost impenetrable. A wine that doesn't relinquish its hand early. Opulent young chary oak provides an armour to raspberry, blueberry, Tegan blue plum, chocolate coated Turkish Delight, pink peppercorns and ink. Roasted coffee bean essence lingers over mezzo-forte acidity and an under blanket of sandy tannins. This appears brutish, but ensures the finish is rose petal floral. 15 years plus in the cellar. One for the quintessential "big red" lovers or a cellar staple.

Huon Hooke, www.therealreview.com (Australia), August 2017

91 points

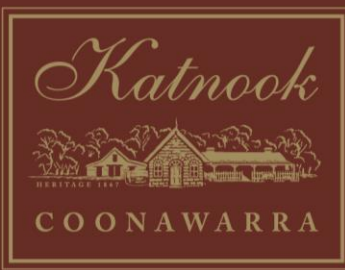
Dan Traucki, www.wineassist.com.au (Australia), 9 June 2017

A consistent high flyer. The very first vintage won the JIMMY WATSON TROPHY in 1998 and the 2012 is just as classy.

There are ripe berries and oak on the bouquet. It is a big, elegant wine with layers of flavour, supple tannins and superb balance. This wine will keep well for 10 years or more, IF you possess the patience and have good storage conditions. ABSOLUTELY SCRUMPTIOUS!

Wine Companion (Australia), 1 June 2017

The three flagship wines from Coonawarra's Katnook Estate are now available. The Katnook Odyssey Cabernet Sauvignon 2012, Katnook Prodigy Shiraz 2012 and Katnook Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2013 are the latest releases for these benchmark wines. Long-time Katnook winemaker Wayne Stehbins believes 2012 was one of the finest vintages that Coonawarra has seen. Wayne says 2012's exceptional growing conditions have created an Odyssey and Prodigy with "great depth of flavours and fine tannins". The Odyssey is listed as Outstanding under the Langton's Classification, while the Prodigy and Katnook Estate Cabernet are both rated as Excellent.



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Ray Jordan, The Weekend West (Australia), 29 April 2017

96 points

The clever use of oak, both new and used French and American for an extended period, is a feature of this style. Of course, it's based on super-concentrated Coonawarra fruit that laps up this sort of treatment. Rich, opulent and powerful but with a stylishness you expect from this region. Intense spice and licorice complementing the dark chocolatey, ripe dark-plum and blackberry fruit flavours. 96/100. Best drinking: Now 2032.



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David Ellis, Western Weekender & Coffs Harbour Advocate (Australia), 15 April 2017

When you are one of just 65 wines listed as “Excellent” in Langton’s #VI Classification of Australian Wine – considered the ultimate guide to local fine wines – you certainly know you are doing something right. And Katnook Coonawarra have definitely proven just how right they have done that something with their now-released Katnook Prodigy Shiraz 2012, a wine crafted from small parcels of grapes off low-cropping Coonawarra vineyards renowned for fruit of consistently outstanding depth of flavour, plus excellent colour and firm tannins. Planted in the mid-1990s, these vineyards are meticulously managed with hand-pruning, bunch-thinning and shoot-removal to result in this remarkable Shiraz. Winemaker Wayne Stehbens says he considers 2012 to have been one of Coonawarra’s finest vintages, its grapes of wonderfully generous pure-fruit flavour, with underlying liquorice spice, finely-grained tannins and plenty of length of flavour. With no change out of \$100 a bottle, this is one to offer for a very special occasion. With no change out of \$100 a bottle, this is one to offer for a very special occasion, for long and leisurely enjoyment with brioche, hard cheeses, paté and quince paste, or a main course of rich, gamey venison that will play beautifully to the wine’s flavours.

Peter Chapman, Chronicle Toowoomba and Daily Mercury (Australia), 12 April 2017

96 points

Deep in brooding red fruit flavours and a structure reflecting true elegance. The best shiraz released this year. Rating: 96 points.

James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion 2017 (Australia), August 2016

96 Points

Has retained very good hue; Prodigy marches to the tune of its own drum, and practice has long since made perfect. Despite all the winemaking, and in particular the time spent in oak, it has retained balance, emerging at the end of the process as elegant; the fruit is of high quality ex the vineyard, and no less ex the bottle, the tannins supple, the wine fresh. The high quality cork has been perfectly inserted. 96 points. Drink by 2037.