

Skuttlebutt

Shiraz Merlot Sangiovese Rosé 2013



Background

Skuttlebutt: The antiquated nautical term for the source of water on sea going vessels has the derived meaning of slang, gossip, chitta chatta, rumour etc. The site of this life-sustaining liquid on board was also the bed from which the grapevine of social gossip did sprout. As such, the chance to catch up with friends over a glass of good wine is the perfect occasion for Skuttlebutt.

Tasting Notes

Rose petal pink in colour with brilliant red flashes. Fragrant with the aromas of strawberry, raspberry and sour cherry - from the Merlot and Sangiovese components - whilst the Shiraz brings forth a subtle spice note. The palate is juicy and refreshing, revealing ripe red berry fruit with a savoury spicy edge, balanced acidity and a dry satisfying finish.

Wine Specs

Food ideas:	Paella, Dim Sum and Picnics
Drink:	Now and over the next 2 years
Blend:	50% Shiraz, 24% Merlot, 24% Sangiovese & 2% Muscat Blanc à Petits Grains
Alcohol:	13.5% vol
Standard drinks:	8.0
pH:	3.19
Acidity:	6.14g/L
Residual sugar:	3.8g/L
Closure:	Screwcap
Market:	Domestic & export