

PIKES

CLARE VALLEY

Established 1984

2023 'EASTSIDE' SHIRAZ

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Good winter rain allowed soil profiles to be full, giving the vines a great start to the growing season. A remarkably cool summer followed, providing perfect conditions for healthy balanced vines. The long ripening period produced fruit with a perfect balance of good colour, high natural acidity, and concentrated flavours.

WINEMAKING INFORMATION

Variety: Shiraz

Vintage: 2023

Region: Clare Valley

Fermentation: Average of 14 days, spontaneous and inoculated ferments in open top vessels.

Maturation: 15 months in new and seasoned oak

Alc/Vol 14%

pH 3.46

TA 6.50 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Dark cherry red.

Aroma: Lifted aromas of maraschino cherry and freshly picked mulberries lead, supported by layers of charry oak, pie crust, and warm baking spices that add depth and complexity.

Palate: A generous wave of red and blue fruits, cherry, plum, blueberry, and blackberry unfolds on the palate. Subtle spice notes of nutmeg, five-spice, and a hint of anise emerge with time in the glass. The wine's bright acidity, shaped by Clare's slate soils, provides structure and freshness, while fine, velvety tannins deliver a smooth, lingering finish.

Summary: A beautifully balanced expression of modern Clare Valley Shiraz - vibrant, layered, and approachable. The 'Eastside' name reflects both the vineyard's location on our estate and the winery's position on the eastern side of the Valley. While drinking well now, it has the structure to age gracefully over the next 7-15 years. A natural pairing with steak frites and freshly cracked black pepper.

ABOUT PIKES

Pikes Wines is a family-founded winery, established in 1984 when the Pike family began crafting wine together in Polish Hill River. Our unique site features tough acidic soils over ancient Kadlunga Slate, 650 million years old. Our wines are elegant and approachable, shaped by the land, years of viticultural experience, and a hands-off winemaking style.

Pikes Tasting Room

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Tasting Room: open daily, from 10am - 4pm

Slate Restaurant: Lunch from 12pm Thu - Sun & Dinner from 6pm Sat

