

Sera Wine Imports presents wines from: **M. Chapoutier**



AUSTRALIA

Cluster M45 Shiraz

Heathcote



Brand Highlights

- Grown, made and bottled in Heathcote, Australia
- Partnership of Michel & Corinne Chapoutier + Ron & Elva Laughton
- Label represents La Pleiade, the small star cluster in Taurus that is visible from both Northern & Southern hemispheres
- 100% Shiraz

The Estate

Michel Chapoutier & Ron Laughton have a passion for winemaking. They met in the mid 1990's and discovered they share the belief that everything is governed by nature and that wine should be a family affair. A partnership was born in vineyards located in Heathcote, north of Melbourne, in Australia's Central Victoria region.

The vineyards are located on a clay rift. The soil is red earth from the Cambrian Period. The vineyards are unirrigated, despite the low rainfall in the area. The vine must live off its own resources and the soil must be self-sufficient. The vineyards are managed according to the rules of biodynamics and the cycles of nature.

Wine Making

The grapes are hand-harvested by the end of March. Grapes are gently destemmed and then ferment for six weeks in open concrete tanks, using indigenous yeasts. The lightly pressed wine is celled in Heathcote. Aged for 12 months in new French oak casks.

Tasting Notes

This wine is deep magenta in color with complex aromas of red berries and spices. On the palate, find an outstanding elegance with power, combining minerality and precision, perfectly reflecting the terroir of Heathcote. Pair with wok-cooked vegetables and braised beef with bay leaves.

Press

- ◆ 2012 Vintage **95+ Points**—Wine Advocate

Product Specifications

- Available in: 750mL w/Natural Cork
- UPC: 8 75734 00025 7
- SCC: 1 08 75734 00025 4
- Case (in.): 20.5 x 13.5 x 3.7