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STEPHEN TANZER REVIEW – INTERNATIONAL WINE CELLAR

McLaren Vale winery Shottesbrooke has recently received an outstanding review from internationally acclaimed wine critic, Stephen Tanzer, International Wine Cellar.

The International Wine Cellar is a bi monthly publication which provides extensive coverage on the world of fine wine. The publication was established in 1985 and is distributed to 28 countries world wide.

The reserve release 2005 *Punch* Cabernet Sauvignon, which is made in limited quantities and only in years when fruit quality is exceptional, scored 91 Points while the McLaren Vale Shiraz, retailing at AU \$19.95 proves excellent value for money with a score also of 91 Points.

Tanzer's tasting notes were as follows;

2005 Shottesbrooke Wines Shiraz McLaren Vale 91

(\$23) Ruby-red. Seductively aromatic redcurrant, raspberry and blueberry aromas accented by graphite, exotic vanilla and clove. The oak is suavely woven into the fresh dark berry flavors and helps to sweeten rather than overwhelm the palate. Juicy dark berry and cherry fruit flavors carry through the long, energetic finish. Impressively pure, expressive and utterly seductive.

2005 Shottesbrooke Cabernet Sauvignon Punch McLaren Vale 91

(\$39) Vivid ruby. Intensely perfumed aromas of vibrant cherry and candied plum, underscored by energetic mineral and floral notes; textbook New World cabernet with considerable elegance. The fresh red berry and cherry flavors show a pleasing bitter tone, with zesty acidity giving energy. Finishes fresh and incisive, with outstanding persistence.

2005 Shottesbrooke The Proprietor McLaren Vale 89(+?)

(\$39) 80% cabernet sauvignon, 15% merlot and 5% malbec) Dark red. Classic cabernet nose features slightly weedy red- and blackcurrant, cherry and mint. Sweet dark berry flavors are youthfully taut but air brings up riper, sweeter notes. The finish is a touch abrupt today, no doubt a function of the wine's youth. My bottle gained deep, spicy blackberry fruit with extensive aeration while maintaining energy and focus.

2005 Shottesbrooke Shiraz Eliza McLaren Vale 87(+?)

(\$39) Bright purple. Blackcurrant and blueberry on the nose, with strong vanillin oak and clove notes. Lush, sweet and broad, with jammy dark berry flavors and sweet vanillin oak accents. Finishes sweet and long. As strong as the material obviously is, I notice the oak tones more than I'd like to, even taking into account that this is very young.

For more information on the current range of Shottesbrooke wines available please contact;

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