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Shottesbrooke Eliza McLaren Vale Shiraz 2005
\$38; 14.5% alcohol; screw cap; 93+++ points

Remember, back before the war, when most Vales red smelled like cowsheds? That was the dreaded hydrogen sulphide. While this has a certain poeey whiff, it's not H₂S, but just another facet of a gloriously complex wine. Caramel toffee, wet rust, hot tractors in the rain, sump oil, hessian, moss, wet harness - the damned thing seems to take you on an aromatic tour of an Australia we've nearly forgotten. Long, rich, opulent, and perfectly reflective of Eliza's deep alluvium, this will become a classic. Five years, no parole, then rostbif.

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A partial view of a dark wine bottle with a label, positioned on the right side of the text box.