

# HOUGHTON STRIPE SHIRAZ 2005



## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Houghton is Western Australia's most awarded winery. Established in 1836, and is the third oldest winery in Australia.

Houghton sources the finest fruit from vineyards in all premium viticultural areas across Western Australia, to craft exceptional wines that truly reflect their regional origins.

## TASTING NOTES

Deep garnet in colour, this wine displays clean, fresh aromas with pepper spice and hints of cloves balanced out with careful oak handling

The palate is medium bodied and soft, exhibiting sweet fruit characters with subtle tannins and a long finish.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2005 vintage had a great lead-in to the season, with winter and spring rains establishing favourable soil moisture levels in our vineyards. The ripening period was characterised by cool to mild conditions with the majority of the South West of WA benefiting from regular, refreshing rain. The cooler conditions provided a steady ripening environment, in which developed superior flavour, acid and varietal definition in the grapes.

## FOOD SUGGESTION

Great with lamb – Moroccan dishes and hard cheeses.

## VINTAGE 2005

### GROWING AREAS

Western Australia

### GRAPE VARIETY

Shiraz

### WINEMAKER

Rob Bowen

ALCOHOL 14.0%

pH 3.54

ACIDITY 5.64 g/litre



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