

# LONGHOP

MT. LOFTY RANGES  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Longhop Shiraz is a robust Aussie style red in every sense of the word, distinctive, complex and vinous way beyond its price point, full bodied and delicious.

## VINTAGE INFORMATION

Name Of Winery	Old Plains Wine Co.
Wine	Longhop Shiraz
Vintage	2009
Region of Fruit Source	Mt Lofty Ranges
Sub-Regions	Angle Vale, Evanston Gardens, Bibaringa
Specific Vineyard by Name	Manno, Noto, Varacalli & Ryder
Soil	Red clay over Limestone Alluvial sandy loam
Trellis System	T - trellis & single wire
Varietal Blend	100% Shiraz
Winemaker(s)	Domenic Torzi / Tim Freeland
Alc/vol	14.2 %
pH	3.59
TA	6.73g/L
Age of Vines	14 years to 50+ years
Yield per acre	3 tonnes per acre
Total Production	1500 cases

## Treatment

Whole berry wild ferment in small open top fermenters with soft pump overs and minimal plunging, basket pressed with ferment finishing off in barrel. Matured for 14 months in seasoned 50% French and 50% American bottled unfiltered.

## 2009 Vintage Comments

Vintage commenced mid February approx 14 days earlier than on average picking dates, This allowed us to bring in our old vine shiraz fruit at lower baume with full flavourings. During March as the temperatures became much milder our old vine cab sav showed its true character of the plains with amazing varietal blackberry and leafy notes with great tannins, this followed with shiraz harvest up the foothills to our One Tree growers that produced classic shiraz status. End of March sees us march back down the foothills to hand pick our old vine Grenache which looks to be our finest.

## Tasting Notes

Dark and very aromatic with spice, dark cherry, plums and chocolate. The flavours follow through from the aromatics with lots of intensity and bountiful ripe tannins to cap off the long savoury finish.

