

TYRRELL'S



HEATHCOTE
Regional Information

HEATHCOTE, VICTORIA AUSTRALIA

“... at Tyrrell’s we are constantly looking to innovate and stay ahead of the curve.”



Tyrrell's only vineyard outside the Hunter Valley.

The Cambrian greenstone soils that are unique to the area are recognised as some of the world's oldest soils. Formed by underground volcanoes up to 600 million years ago, these ancient soils are highly rich in minerals that form the building blocks for the molecules of colour and flavour in red wine.

In 1994 Bruce Tyrrell bought 32 hectares of bare farmland on the eastern slope of the Mount Camel range, about 25 kilometres north of the town of Heathcote in Victoria. The parcel of land is situated on a vein of ancient and fertile deep-red Cambrian soil that's unique to the area and, most importantly, is perfect for growing high-quality Shiraz. The climate in this winegrowing region is different to that of our native Hunter with higher elevation and cooler night time temperatures. These conditions combined with the highly prized Cambrian soil produce full-bodied Shiraz grapes with dark-fruit characters, white pepper spice, excellent acidity and fine-grained tannins.



RUFUS STONE HEATHCOTE SHIRAZ

Has the richness of the recognised Australian Shiraz style but the finesse and elegance of the Hunter with its own regional white pepper character.

The story of the Rufus Stone dates back almost 1,000 years to medieval England. King William II, known as Rufus, is believed to have been killed by an errant arrow fired by Sir Walter Tyrrell - an ancestor of the Tyrrell family. Today, the site of this infamous incident is marked by the Rufus Stone. Our Heathcote estate blend Shiraz is named after this fascinating chapter in Tyrrell family history.

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LUNATIQ HEATHCOTE SHIRAZ

Tyrrell's premium offering from the Heathcote region of Victoria, a selection of the best barrels from Tyrrell's original plantings dating back to 1994. Viticulture focused on sustainability, organic practices and minimal intervention.

There were some who called Bruce Tyrrell a lunatic when he planted grapevines in the relatively unknown region of Heathcote. Those vines are now producing some of Australia's finest Shiraz fruit, more than justifying his pioneering move. Dichotomous in its meaning, Lunatiq also refers to the moon's influence on the rhythms of vine growth and looking to the lunar phases to help determine prime picking times. Only made in excellent years, our Lunatiq Shiraz is drawn from the best barrels from the Heathcote vintage, sourced from our oldest blocks.

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Pictured: The Tyrrell's Heathcote vineyard.