



## 2004 PRETTY SALLY CABERNET SHIRAZ

<b>Varietal:</b>	<i>51% CabSauv, 49% Shiraz</i>	<b>Alcohol:</b>	<i>14.1%</i>
<b>Vintage:</b>	<i>April 2004</i>	<b>pH:</b>	<i>3.33</i>
<b>Vineyard:</b>	<i>Pretty Sally Vineyard for Cabernet</i>	<b>Total Acidity:</b>	<i>7.4 g/l</i>
<b>Region:</b>	<i>Central Victoria &amp; Heathcote</i>		
<b>Production:</b>	<i>4,800 cases</i>		
<b>Barrels:</b>	<i>French &amp; American oak barrels</i>		
<b>Winemaker:</b>	<i>John Ellis</i>		
<b>Release date:</b>	<i>June, 2006</i>		

### Vintage Description

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2004 has been hailed as an extraordinary year across Victoria . It was one of the best years we've had for flowering, fruit set and crop levels. The vintage was abundant in both quantity and quality. The sunshine was plentiful, offering steady heat. We had average rains of 450 ml. Our Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is blended with a Heathcote neighbor's Shiraz to make this bold wine. As is usual for our grapes, the elevation and maritime climate led to high grape sugar levels accompanied by excellent acidity. The resulting wine shows a generous, open and complex character.

### Winemaking

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The concentration and complexity come from our aggressive pruning and fine barrel aging. The wine was aged primarily in new French and American oak. Our Estate Cabernet is blended with Shiraz from a neighbor's vineyard in Heathcote.

### Tasting Notes

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Elegant, yet juicy and full of intricate flavors. Intense aromas of berries, plum, white pepper, baking spices and cumin. The palate is layered with flavors of bright berry fruit, pepper and hints of cacao. An elegant, complex wine.

### About Pretty Sally

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Pretty Sally was established in 1996 and is owned and operated by Rosalie & Dan Cornew, Neil McKay, and Jim & Marie Davies. The vineyard is located 40 miles north of Melbourne in Central Victoria, Australia's original winemaking region and site of the 1860s gold rush. Bordering the famous Pretty Sally Hills, the estate consists of 450-acres, 110 of which are currently planted to vines. Maritime breezes and moderate elevation (1100 feet) make this a temperate site with a long growing season. Holistic vineyard management practices are utilized to complement the indigenous biodiversity. The yields are kept low at under 3 tons/acre to encourage intensity and character.