

The story of the wine ...

2013 Indra Shiraz

Winemaking Description: Following in the tradition, the Indra Block delivers another wine of exceptional quality. Made from very low yields in 100% new French oak with minimal intervention.

The Story: To stalk or not to stalk that is the question? Whole bunch fermentation in red winemaking. It's a hot topic. As in many winemaking trends the arguments move like a pendulum driven by a mix of technology and fashion.

At Lethbridge our decision to destem or to use whole bunch is largely vineyard driven with some terroirs consistently producing wines of greater interest, complexity and textural smoothness or silkiness that is rarely seen without the use of stems. The 'Indra' block at the Lethbridge vineyard is one such site.

Each year the percentage of whole bunch is different, but with the beautiful ripeness achieved in 2013 we have made this wine with incorporation of 80% whole bunch. Initially the wine may seem tannic and impenetrable but with time this will resolve nicely into a wine for those seeking complexity and elegance over fruit and power.

Vintage:	2013
Other vintages:	2005 - 2012
Grape variety:	98% Shiraz, 2% Viognier
Vineyards:	Lethbridge
Bottled:	March 2014
Alcohol:	14.5%
Cellar potential:	10 + Years
Cellar door prices:	\$85

