

# KURTZ FAMILY *Vineyards*

## 2006 SEVEN SLEEPERS RED BLEND



Ruby-red. Perfumed aromas of spicy red berries complicated by fresh rose, lavender, incense and cracked pepper. Clean and brisk on the palate, with sweet raspberry and baking spice flavours and an exotic floral pastille quality. Finishes with excellent spicy persistence and a strong echo of red fruit.

**Rating: 90 points. Josh Reynolds Tanzer – Wine Enthusiast Issue 140: September/October 2008**

A five-way blend (Shiraz/Grenache/Petit Verdot/Cabernet Sauvignon/Malbec), which has a multiplicity of fruit flavours, none dominant, all different. If nothing else, shows it can be done.

**Rating: 87 points. James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2010 Edition**

The sweet and ripe bouquet is fruit driven, but there is some vanillin oak lurking amongst the dark berry fruit. The in-your-face fruit is adequately supported by unobtrusive tannins. Loads of sour cherry flavour is contrasted by herbal cabernet characters, and with plum and dark chocolate flavours added to the mix, there is an abundance of different flavours. An open, very-drinkable wine with excellent fruit intensity for its weight, it is approachable now, but will soften in the short term. You would be crazy if you didn't buy a case or two for every day drinking. This is one of the best value wines I have found this year.

**Rating 4 stars. Ric Einstein Torbwine Nov 2008**

An unusual blend that includes 25% Petit Verdot, the Kurtz Family's Seven Sleepers features an intense, welcoming bouquet of black cherries, cinnamon and coffee backed by cherry fruit and earthy flavours. It's got enough muscle to stand up to steaks and burgers, and should drink well through 2016.

**Rating: 88 points. Joe Czerwinski Wine Enthusiast – September 2009**

*Clean and brisk...*

*...in-your-face fruit*

*unobtrusive tannins...*



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## 2006 BOUNDARY ROW GRENACHE SHIRAZ MATARO



Vivid ruby colour. Sexy bouquet of fresh red berries, cherry preserves, flowers and Asian spices. Round and sappy, offering concentrated but lively red and dark berry and spice flavours, with fully integrated tannins. This is inviting right now and I'd be tempted to enjoy it on the young side.

**Rating: 90 points. Josh Reynolds Tanzer – Wine Enthusiast Issue 140: September/October 2008**

Bold red-purple colour which (correctly) suggests a wine with above-average depth and intensity to its plum, blackberry and black cherry fruit, balanced by gently savoury notes; barely shows 24 months in oak.

**Rating: 93 points. James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2010 Edition**

Kurtz Family's 2006 Boundary Row GSM is a blend of 45% Grenache, 30% Shiraz and 25% Mataro aged in seasoned French and American oak hogsheads. Purple coloured, it exhibits an alluring bouquet of cedar, leather, earth notes, spice box, wild cherry and blueberry. This leads to a mouth-filling wine which is layered, sweet and expansive on the palate. It has the potential to evolve for a few years but can be enjoyed now.

**Rating: 90 points. Jay Miller – Robert Parker's Wine Advocate February 2009.**

*Sexy bouquet...*

*...sweet and expansive*

*a real good drink...*

A real good drink with real good length of flavour. It's a riot of woody, vanillin oak over plump, red-berried fruit with added lashings of aniseed and leather. Good mouthful of flavour with some warmth, but lovely, soft, fine tannins. It feels good in your mouth-which is exactly where our bottles are headed.

**Rating: 90 points. 5 –stars value. Campbell Mattinson and Gary Walsh- The Big Red Wine Book, 2009/2010**



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## 2006 BOUNDARY ROW SHIRAZ



Bright ruby. Sexy blackberry and cherry-cola on the nose, with suave mineral and floral notes adding interest. Juicy and pure, with vivid dark berry flavours, slow-mounting spiciness and no obvious tannins. A seamless Shiraz with impressive finishing sweetness and length. I'd drink this now for its lovely fruit.

**Rating: 91 points. Josh Reynolds Tanzer – Wine Enthusiast Issue 140: September/October 2008**

A generous bouquet offers spice, black fruits and vanilla, the medium-to full-bodied palate no less generous, with a deep and seamless line of blackberry and spice fruit, oak providing the chorus line.

**Rating: 93 points. James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2010 Edition**

The opaque purple coloured 2006 Boundary Row Shiraz was aged for 22 months in 25% new French and American oak hogsheads. The attractive nose reveals cedar, pepper, fresh herbs, game, and blueberry. This leads to a medium to full-bodied wine with plenty of succulent black fruits, excellent depth, and a pure finish. Drink it from 2010 to 2018.

**Rating: 91 points. Jay Miller – Robert Parker's Wine Advocate February 2009.**

Full-bodied, rich and admirably concentrated, this is a top-notch example of Barossa Shiraz at a still-affordable price. Aromas of espresso, blackberry and cedar give way to blueberry and blackberry fruit on the palate. The creamy texture makes it easy to drink, and leaving behind a mouth-watering sensation on the lengthy finish. Drink now -2016.

**Rating: 92 points. Joe Czerwinski Wine Enthusiast – September 2009**

There's probably a touch more oak here than we'd like, but, while it concerned us at first, the wine ended up winning us over. It's so smooth and ripe and tidy that you can't help but welcome it in. It's fresh and fleshy, flushed with flavours of plum, earth, blackberry and walnuts, and then firm and controlled as it leaves your mouth. A real red in real good form. Drink 2009 – 2015.

**Rating: 91 points. 4-stars value. Campbell Mattinson and Gary Walsh- The Big Red Wine Book, 2009/2010**

*Juicy and pure...*

*...attractive nose*

*so smooth and ripe...*



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## 2007 SEVEN SLEEPERS RED BLEND



Last year we recommended that you buy a dozen of the 2005 vintage – and yet this 2007 version is better. It's medium- to full-bodied and loaded with juicy fruit flavour, though thankfully those flavours never come across as too sweet or warm. It's lively, and red- and blackberried and just bloody good booze. Drink 2009-2012.

**Rating: 90 points. 5-stars value. Campbell Mattinson and Gary Walsh- The Big Red Wine Book, 2009/2010. Top 25 buys at <\$20.**

*medium-full bodied...*

*...loaded with flavour*

*bloody good booze...*



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## 2005 LUNAR BLOCK SHIRAZ



A most attractive medium-bodied wine, with a spirited display of warm spices on a bed of red and black fruits, the tannins ripe and oak subtle; excellent length.

**Rating 94 To 2015. James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2010 Edition**

*medium bodied...*

*...warm spices*

*excellent length...*



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