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### 2006 Cardinham Estate Stradbroke Shiraz

Clare Valley 14.5% Diam \$50 Source: Sample

Now, onto the big guns. This is very impressive. A little pricey but I think it gets away with it.

Gorgeously expressive nose of red and black forest berries, sweet plum and floral fragrances, softened by a note of vanilla. A svelte mouth feel with excellent penetration through the palate, although the oak juts out marginally on the finish. I'd put my money on the fruit soaking that up in time though and I reckon time is precisely what this wine needs and deserves; it's a keeper, built to last.

Lots of big, rich chocolate and coffee characters combine well with gentle, sweet pepper spice and a little mint. Pretty handy winemaking to compliment some quality fruit. I must say I wouldn't mind getting some of this into my cellar.

