## The Fifth Wave Grenache

#### **Story Behind the Wine**

The Fifth Wave is Langmeil's most treasured Old Vine Garden Grenache and is dedicated to the fifth generation of the Lindner family. Planted in the middle of the last century, The Fifth Wave is our 'call to arms' to protect, preserve and celebrate the best of the Barossa.

Once a neglected Old Vine Garden in Lyndoch, The Fifth Wave vineyard was rejuvenated by Langmeil and in 1999 winemaker Paul Lindner saw the potential of the Grenache from this unique vineyard and with tenacity convinced the owners to produce a straight varietal, in all likelihood the first time Grenache from this time honoured Old Vine Garden had been truly prized.

All Langmeil's Old Vine Gardens are treated as national treasures and are all hand tended, from pruning to harvesting. We then employ traditional hands-on winemaking; gentle de-stemming, open fermentation and basket pressing into 100% seasoned French oak barrels, without fining or filtration, to capture the true essence of the variety and region.

# Winemaker's Notes

#### 2010 Vintage Report

The Barossa experienced its best rainfall in five years during the winter and spring of 2009 and provided good soil moisture for the onset of the growing season. Late spring was fairly mild with some moderately warm days, resulting in an early budburst. Warm and mild weather ensued for the remainder of the growing season so canopies remained very healthy and ripening accelerated for an early vintage. The onset of cool nights in mid-March slowed the final harvest for some later varieties and vineyards. In summary, the 2010 wines are proving that this has been an exceptional year for the Barossa.

**Colour:** Medium depth Ruby red with pink hues.

**Aroma:** Dark cherry and raspberry fruits mingle with sweet spice, vanilla, hints of savoury roastiness and white pepper nuances.

**Palate:** Ripe, red berry fruit flows onto the palate, melding into lovely sweet and briary spice. The finish lingers on a pepper and spice note with typical chalky and youthfully firm tannins.

**Cellaring:** 2012 - 2024



#### Vintage 2010

**Country of Origin** Australia

**Geographic Indicator** Barossa Valley

**Grape Composition** 100% Grenache

#### Oak Treatment

Matured in 69% seasoned French oak and 31% seasoned American

Time in Oak 12 months

Vine Age 60+ and 90 year old vines

### **Sub Regional Source**

Southern reaches of the Barossa Valley, just outside of the town of Lvndoch

**Yield per Acre** 1 – 2 Tonnes per Acre

**Trellising** 

Bush Vines and `T' trellis

Soil Type Deep, sandy soils, with slight elevation and red clay

**Harvest Details** Mid-March

**Technical Analysis** 

Alcohol: 15.5% pH: 3.35 TA: 6.40 g/L Residual Sugar: 0.59 g/L

VA: 0.77 g/L