

2017 LINEAGE SHIRAZ

STORY BEHIND THE WINE

This wine is a tribute to patience and persistence while celebrating Shiraz's pedigree as a classic grape variety. Shiraz's Lineage dates to Roman times, but the Barossa's journey with Shiraz began in the 1840s. Professor Johannes Menge advised the Prussian migrants with incisive foresight that viticulture had great potential to thrive in 'New Silesia'.

THE WINERY

Langmeil Winery respectfully acknowledges the Kaurna, Ngadjuri and Peramangk people, past, present and future, the traditional custodians of the land on which we grow and make our wines.

The Lindner family of Langmeil Winery has been immersed in the Barossa's culture of farming, food, wine and community for six generations. Their commitment to quality in all aspects is unwavering, and any wine that bears the Langmeil name represents the family's pursuit of excellence in wine and community.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES 2017 VINTAGE REPORT

The Barossa experienced a wetter and cooler than average winter and spring with good soil moisture levels. Vines grew slowly, flowering well and setting a good number of bunches. Temperatures were below average in December and January with few heat spikes, and rains of 40mm spread evenly over four events kept the vines healthy with unhurried veraison. The summer rains of 4-6 February were followed by windy conditions and four consecutive 37°C days, helping to dry out canopies and preventing berry split. Additionally, soil moisture levels were topped-up, maintaining the canopies during a coolerthan-average summer. The rest of February remained dry, and a warm March saw the beginning of an Indian Summer, which lasted until the third week of April with above-average temperatures. Perfect grape ripening weather with balanced sugars, colours and natural acidity. These conditions resulted in a later harvest than in recent years, a return to 'normal'. The delayed harvest allowed grapes to ripen slowly and evenly with a gradual accumulation of sugars and flavours. The yields were around 20-30% higher than the five-year average.

Colour: Deep crimson with purple hues.

Aroma: An intense aroma of ripe Satsuma plum, mocha, vanilla, and savoury notes combined with hints of cedar and sweet spices.

Palate: Rich, sweet fruit is balanced wonderfully with briary, sweet spices and lovely, silky tannins. A full-bodied, textural wine, showing great complexity with hints of cedar and all spice flowing through to the lengthy, bramble fruit finish.

Cellaring: 2019-2034.



GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

Barossa

GRAPE COMPOSITION

87% Shiraz 13% Cabernet Sauvignon

OAK TREATMENT

50% new French oak and 50% seasoned French oak

TIME IN OAK

Twenty-six months

VINE AGE

Up to 174-year-old vines

SUB-REGIONAL SOURCE

Tanunda, Lyndoch and Flaxman Valley

YIELD PER ACRE

1.08 tonnes per acre average

TRELLISING

Rod and spur

SOIL TYPE

Grey sandy loam over sandstone, ironstone and granite, and dark, rich loam to red clay over ironstone and limestone

HARVEST DETAILS

31 March - 28 April

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14.5% pH: 3.45 TA: 6.6g/L Residual Sugar: 2.45g/L VA: 0.51g/L