

LANGMEIL  THE LONG MILE

Langmeil
BAROSSA

Orphan Bank Shiraz

Story Behind the Wine

Orphan Bank is testament to Langmeil's commitment to preserving old and rare Barossa vineyards. Ten rows of Shiraz planted pre-1860 were saved from the developer's bulldozer and replanted alongside the original Langmeil vineyard on the banks of the River Para. We called these ten rows the "Orphans" but after 150 years they have a new home.

The Winery

The Lindner family of Langmeil Winery has been immersed in the Barossa's culture of farming, food, wine and community for six generations. Our commitment to quality in all aspects is unwavering and any wine that bears the Langmeil name represents our family's pursuit of excellence in wine and community. Our family's vision is to highlight the rare qualities of old vine Shiraz using hands-on winemaking techniques. Gentle destemming, open fermentation, basket pressing and two years in French oak accentuate the natural fruit intensity and structure.

True to the Region · True to the Community · True to Ourselves

Winemaker's Notes

2012 Vintage Report

Great winter rains in 2011 saw vines flourish leading into the season ahead. A reasonably mild summer with only a couple of heat spikes meant vintage kicked off to a normal start in the third week of February. Early ripening Shiraz parcels, early picked Riesling and Cabernet Sauvignon for Bella Rouge showing the true potential of the vintage.

A timely rain at the end of February brought with it a very mild and dry autumn, with lovely cool nights and a more gentle pace for ripening, allowing vintage to run smoothly, ending mid-April with beautifully ripened Eden Valley Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon and Mataro.

Overall, quality excelled with all varieties, making classification difficult yet exemplary. Just the way I like it. I'm excited!

Paul Lindner, Winemaker

Colour: Medium depth crimson with purple hues.

Aroma: Intense and lifted perfume of blue fruits, violets and chocolate, entwined with hints of sage, cedar and white peppery spice.

Palate: Juicy raspberries and Satsuma plum fills the mouth, with lovely oak sweetness adding to the mouthfeel. The fruit is wonderfully balanced with briary and white pepper spice and textured, fine tannin.

Cellaring: 2014 – 2029



Vintage
2012

Country of Origin
Australia

Geographic Indicator
Barossa

Grape Composition
100% Shiraz

Oak Treatment
50% new and 50% seasoned
French Oak Hogsheads

Time in Oak
24 months

Vine Age
Average age 88+ year old vines

Sub Regional Source
78% Barossa Valley / 22% Eden Valley

Yield per Acre
1.5 – 2 Tonnes per Acre

Trellising
Mostly single wire permanent arm

Soil Type
Barossa Valley - Red clay over limestone & ironstone
Eden Valley – Decomposed granite, sandy loam

Harvest Details
27th Feb – 2nd Apr

Technical Analysis
Alcohol: 14.7%
pH: 3.45
TA: 6.6 g/L
Residual Sugar: 0.51 g/L
VA: 0.63 g/L