

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**  
27<sup>th</sup> Feb - 2<sup>nd</sup> 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