BLACKSMITH CABERNET

STORY BEHIND THE WINE

In 1842 a 32 year old Blacksmith, Christian Auricht, arrived from Prussia with his wife and four children. He settled in the new hamlet of Langmeil and built a blacksmith shop, around which grew the trading area of the village and provides the aesthetics for the winery to this day.

The artisan of iron has now made way for the new craftsman who has blended the oldest of Barossa traditions to forge this spectacular wine. Our Cabernet Sauvignon, the unsung hero of Barossa wine, has been matured for almost two years, achieving the structure, depth and balance expected from this premium Australian grape growing region.

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. 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.

True to the Region - True to the Community - True to Ourselves

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

2013 VINTAGE REPORT

2013 was definitely a vintage of highs and lows. Fortunately the highs were the quality of grapes across all varieties. The lows unfortunately were the yields, with some Shiraz vineyards down by 50% - 80% as a result of extremely low rainfall during winter and spring. The Barossa Valley received only half of its average rainfall between July 2012 and March 2013 creating a very stressful environment for grape growing, especially for dry grown vineyards like the Freedom which yielded less than one tonne per acre. The low yields ripened early and quickly so vintage kicked off two weeks early, with a mad rush to keep ahead of rapidly rising sugar levels. A large percentage of our harvest was completed before March and for the first time ever we were finished with picking well before ANZAC day and our Bella Rouge Rose was in the bottle by mid-May. Overall the quality was high with intense colour and flavour, ripe tannins and surprisingly good acidity with most red parcels and the whites showing great varietal character and acid balance. I'm extremely happy with the 2013 wines, there just won't be as much of them to share.

Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker

COLOUR: Medium to deep crimson with purple hues.

AROMA: Lifted blueberries, black currants, mint and black olive dominate the aroma with lovely cedar and hints of sweet spice adding to the complexity.

PALATE: Bright and juicy berry fruits coat the palate and mingle with brambly spice, hints of black olive and anise. Medium to full body with velvety, fine, grape and oak tannins add to the structure and flow onto the long, fruitful and spicy finish.

CELLARING: 2015 - 2025



VINTAGE 2013

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN Australia

GEOGRAPHIC INDICATOR 70% Barossa Valley/30% Eden Valley

GRAPE COMPOSITION 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

OAK TREATMENT 10% new and 90% seasoned French Oak

TIME IN OAK 24 months

VINE AGE 15 – 35 year old vines

SUB REGIONAL SOURCE Multiple Barossa sub-regional blend

YIELD PER ACRE 1.5 - 3 Tonnes per Acre

TRELLISING
Most are single & double
permanent arm

SOIL TYPE Ranges from Biscay (black cracking clay) to red clay over Limestone

HARVEST DETAILS 14th Feb to 2nd April

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS Alcohol: 14.2% pH: 3.45 TA: 7.3 g/L Residual Sugar: 3.6 g/L VA: 0.7 g/L