

HALLOWED GROUND SHIRAZ

STORY BEHIND THE WINE

The Barossa is blessed with one of the most diverse and unique landscapes of any fine wine region in the world. It is this Hallowed Ground which is fundamental to the Barossa's premium pedigree and rarefied reputation for grape growing and winemaking of the highest quality.

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.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

2017 VINTAGE REPORT

The Barossa experienced a wetter and cooler (2°C) than average winter and spring with good soil moisture levels. Vines grew slowly but healthily, mostly 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 30-40mm summer rain of 4-6 February was followed by windy conditions and four consecutive 37°C days which helped dry out the canopies and prevented berry split. Additionally, soil moisture levels were topped-up, maintaining the canopies during a cooler than average summer. The rest of February remained dry, and a warm March (average maximum temperature 28°C) saw the beginning of an Indian Summer which lasted until the third week of April with above average temperatures (2.5°C). Perfect grape ripening weather with balanced sugars, colours and natural acidity. These conditions resulted in a later harvest, some three to four weeks, than recent years, which was a return to 'normal'. The delayed harvest allowed grapes to ripen more slowly and evenly with a gradual accumulation of sugars and flavours, which is what we look for when making high-quality Barossa wines. The yields were around 20 - 30% higher than the five-year average. Eden Valley Riesling is predicted to be a stand-out this year and another fantastic year for Barossa Valley Shiraz which promises to deliver an array of styles from bright and aromatic wines from the earlier-picked vineyards through to concentrated, intense and well-structured wines.

Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker.

Colour: Medium to deep crimson with purple hues.

Aroma: A rich and inviting bouquet of Satsuma plum, violet and roasted notes with hints of dough, liquorice and eucalypt.

Palate: A mouth-filling and chewy palate with plenty of sweet plummy fruit to balance the fine-grained tannins. Hints of liquorice and blueberry flow through the long, silky and sweet spiced finish.

Cellaring: 2019-2031.



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2017

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Australia

GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

Barossa (73% Barossa Valley / 27% Eden Valley)

GRAPE COMPOSITION

100% Shiraz

OAK TREATMENT

36% new and 64% seasoned French oak hogsheads

TIME IN OAK

24 months

VINE AGE

4 to 28-year-old vines

SUB REGIONAL SOURCE

Lyndoch, Tanunda and Eden Valley

YIELD PER ACRE

1–2 tonnes per acre

TRELLISING

Mostly single and double wire, rod and spur

SOIL TYPE

Red clay over limestone and ironstone, sand over red clay and grey sandy loam.

HARVEST DETAILS

10 March - 18 April

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 15% pH: 3.45 TA: 6.97g/L

Residual Sugar: 2.5g/L

VA: 0.58g/L

FOOD MATCH

Lamb shanks; grilled beef steak; kangaroo; strong, hard, mature cheeses

True to the Region \cdot True to the Community \cdot True to Ourselves