

2019 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 North Para River. 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. 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

2019 VINTAGE REPORT

2019 was the smallest vintage in twenty years due to a drier than average growing season with spring frosts. What little fruit there was ripened quickly in the hot, dry conditions of January and February, with a mad rush to pick before sugar levels became excessive. On the plus side, the lack of rainfall meant there was no disease pressure this season. The reds will be bold, dark, rich and long-lived. Sadly, they will be in very short supply.

Colour: *Medium to deep crimson with purple hues.*

Aroma: *A rich bouquet of red and blue fruits, herbs and cedar, entwine with hints of sweet spice, roasted and savoury notes.*

Palate: *Rich and juicy raspberry and Satsuma plum fill the mouth, with allspice sweetness adding to the mouthfeel. The fruit is well balanced with hints of briary spice and textural, fine-grained tannins on the lengthy finish.*

Cellaring: *2021-2036*

Food match: *Rabbit stifado; pork or duck roast; mushroom risotto; roasted vegetable tartlet; matured cheese platter.*

Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker



GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

Barossa

GRAPE COMPOSITION

100% Shiraz

OAK TREATMENT

44% new and 56% seasoned French oak hogsheads

TIME IN OAK

Twenty-four months

VINE AGE

Average age 70 years

SUBREGIONAL SOURCE

Lyndoch, Penrice, Stonewell, Tanunda and Light Pass

YIELD PER ACRE

1 tonne per acre

TRELLISING

Mostly single wire permanent arm and rod and spur

SOIL TYPE

Red clay over limestone and ironstone and deep sandy loam

HARVEST DETAILS

28 February to 7 March

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 15%

pH: 3.42

TA: 6.3g/L

Residual Sugar: 2.7g/L

VA: 0.7g/L