

2005 ORPHAN BANK SHIRAZ

Langmeil
BAROSSA



[THE STORY]

Destined for destruction to make way for housing, ten rows of 140 year old Shiraz vines were rescued by Langmeil and transplanted, thus preserving part of the Barossa's heritage. These orphans are not without relatives. They share a common ancestry with our 1843 Freedom vineyard, having been planted in the 1800's on what was then the same allotment: section 36, Hundred of Moorooroo.

[WINE ANALYSIS]

Alcohol Volume: 15.2%
TA: 7.48 g/L
pH: 3.42
VA: 0.8 g/L
Residual Sugar: 2.2 g/L

[WINEMAKING NOTES]

In August 2006, and again in June 2007, the vines were transplanted one at a time to a fertile patch of land on the banks of the North Para River adjacent to the winery's The Freedom 1843 Shiraz vineyard. The wine from these gnarled and twisted Shiraz vines is matured for two years in carefully chosen seasoned American (87%) and seasoned French (13%) oak. It is then bottled without fining and filtration to ensure the true essence of the Barossa is captured. Sealed with a screw cap ensures that the wine, once opened, is as the winemaker intended.

COLOUR • Very deep crimson with purple hues.

NOSE • Satsuma plum, blue fruits and mulberry dominate the aroma with smoky hints and creamy vanilla to complete the picture.

PALATE • The aroma flows onto the palate with briary and sweet spice balancing the sweet fruit. Rich and full bodied yet quite elegant, this wine displays fine, soft tannins and good acidity creating a long, fruitful and slightly toasty finish.

PEAK DRINKING • 2010 – 2025