

[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: 14.8%

TA: 6.70 g/L pH: 3.34

VA: 0.89 g/L

Residual Sugar: 0.8 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 new and seasoned French 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 • Deep red crimson with purple hues

NOSE • Intense, Satsuma plums and blueberry aromas mingle with sweet, biscuit French oak, sweet spice and the wonderful old vine Shiraz violet perfume

PALATE • Rich and full bodied yet amazingly balanced with firm but fine French oak tannins, good acidity and sweet spice. All the aromas flow onto the palate and the juicy, sweet fruit continues through to the spicy and incredibly long finish

MATURATION • This wine was matured for 24 months in a combination 34% new French oak and 66% seasoned French Oak