

BLACK BEAUTY MALBEC

STORY BEHIND THE WINE

Malbec is a historic variety originally native to south-west France, whose centre of gravity moved to the southern hemisphere in the late twentieth century. It is renowned for its age worthy, deeply coloured rich and smooth wines. Here in the Barossa it makes a real Black Beauty of a wine.

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

2018 VINTAGE REPORT

Plentiful winter rains gave the vines a healthy start to the 2018 growing season. A warmer and drier than average spring hurried things along and early estimates indicated above average bunch numbers in most varieties. Late spring and early summer were relatively mild, resulting in good flowering and fruit set. However, dry conditions continued and both berry size (lowering actual yield) and shoot length were somewhat diminished. Several heat spikes in late January and early February (it's not a South Australian summer if you don't have a couple!) interrupted veraison, with the picking of some of our earlier ripening vineyards delayed until the beginning of March (later than expected). Perfect, mild ripening weather followed to the end of April ensuring all Eden Valley parcels achieved full flavour ripeness slightly earlier than forecast.

Despite a later than anticipated start and an earlier than usual finish, the compressed harvest produced wines of deep colour, flavour and balance across the board.

Another ripper Barossa vintage!

Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker

Colour: Medium to deep crimson with purple hues.

Aroma: An elegant aroma of blue fruits and rhubarb mingle with violets and spice.

Palate: Juicy blue fruits, herbal and brambly spice come together in this medium-bodied wine with fine, savoury tannins adding to the mouthfeel. The fresh and bright fruit flows through with a slight savoury and spicy finish.

Cellaring: 2020 - 2027



VINTAGE

2018

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Australia

GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

Barossa Valley

GRAPE COMPOSITION

93% Malbec / 7% Durif

OAK TREATMENT

Seasoned American oak

TIME IN OAK

Nine months

VINE AGE

Six and 35+ years-old

YIELD PER ACRE

2.5 - 3 tonnes per acre

SUB REGIONAL SOURCE

Light Pass, Gomersal and Nuriootpa.

TRELLISING

Single wire, spur pruned with catch wire

SOIL TYPE

Deep sand over red and yellow clay

HARVEST DETAILS

23 March - 16 April

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14.5% pH: 3.48

TA: 6.7g/L Residual Sugar: 2.48g/L

VA: 0.54g/L

FOOD MATCH

Beef tenderloin; cassoulet; turkey; roast pork.

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