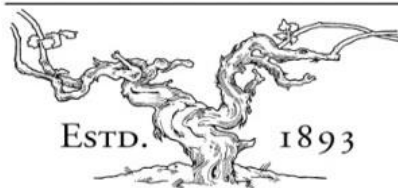


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2012 Old Vine Shiraz

Grape Variety: 100% Shiraz

Vineyard Soils: Schist rock over blue grey clay (Marananga) / loam over clay (Nuriootpa)

Vine Age: 3 vineyard blocks aged 53, 49 and 29 years old.

GI: Barossa Valley

Summary:

Kaesler Old Vine Shiraz has been consistently produced as an elegant wine, tight in its youth, a wine that is made to age. It represents a different style of Shiraz within the Kaesler portfolio, when compared to its bolder brothers, The Bogan and Old Bastard Shiraz.

Vinification:

The fruit was harvested by hand on the 24th February 2012, starting at 6am in order to get most of the fruit off before the days starts to heat up. It was given 10 days on skins and the cap of the ferment wet down twice a day. Once pressed, it is then put into 30% new French oak and the remainder in 1 and 2 year old French oak. Over the next 23 months the wine is racked twice, topped regularly. No filtration.

ALC 14.5 % **pH** 3.74 **TA** 5.97 g/l

Tasting Note:

Colour: Crimson red.

Nose: Cherry, mixed dark fruits, spice and cedar notes.

Palate: Full bodied mouth-filling tannins, lifted with bright acidity. Perfectly balanced and a long finish.

Notes: The Old Vine Shiraz block at Nuriootpa, from which some of the fruit is sourced, was spawned from The Old Bastard vineyard (est 1893). The Old Bastard is genetic material that only exists in Australia, its parentage being lost to Phylloxera in Europe in the 1880's. The fruit from these vineyards was sold to various wineries over the years and often finding a home in some of the Barossa's most prestigious blends.



2012 Vintage

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