



A young turk, Troy Kalleske, seems to be obsessed with making a great name for his family's Barossa Valley wines. The Kalleske family owns a whopping 400 acres (sic) of vines in Barossa's tenderloin section, the highly renowned Greenock region, where the conditions are extreme and the vines are stressed. Most of the Kalleske fruit was sold off to larger companies until Troy recently decided to produce his own wines. From vines planted in 1935, Another beauty, the **2005 Old Vine Grenache** exhibits a deep ruby/purple color as well as a sweet perfume of black and red fruits, melted licorice, subtle dried Provencal herbs, a touch of pepper, a superb attack, an opulent mouthfeel, and a long, layered finish. This brilliant Grenache should drink well for 5-6 years.

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... Robert Parker Jr., The Wine Advocate, Oct 31 2006



Kalleske 2005 Old Vine Grenache...



For my money, **this is consistently one of the best Grenache around** and unlike some others, doesn't have an insane price tag attached. Although the wine is sealed with a cork, the bouquet was closed, so if you are going to crack it in its youth, give it a good decant. The bouquet was lightly perfumed with what reminded me of an old cigar box that had been filled with potpourri, together with blackberries, and sweet and spicy notes wafting in and out. **The deep, strong fruit is perfectly matched to the powdery tannins and fresh acid, and forms a muscular-weight, firm, solid and tight wine.**

Although the flavours are in the "black profile" with intense blackberry, liquorice, and pepper, the ripeness has been controlled and it's a very enjoyable drop. **Finishing with excellent length and persistence, this is a damn good wine and whilst it is okay now, it should continue to improve for about another four years or more.** Rated as **Highly Recommended** with *** for value, the only criticism is there is a touch of warmth on the palate.

... Ric Einstein, TorbWine, July 2007