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KALLESKE 2007 JOHANN GEORG SHIRAZ

Johann Georg Shiraz is produced in South Australia's Barossa Valley, by the Kalleske family who have been farming and growing grapes since the 1800s. It is a genuine estate wine - grown, vintaged and matured on the Kalleske estate at Greenock. Johann Georg Shiraz is a single vineyard wine produced from the oldest vineyard on the Kalleske farm. The wine is a tribute to Johann Georg Kalleske, the first Kalleske ancestor to migrate to Australia. Johann Georg was born in Brätz, Prussia in 1794 and migrated to South Australia with his wife and children in 1838.

GROWING SEASON

2007 was a drought affected vintage with a warm growing season and one of the driest winters on record. Intermittent summer rainfall refreshed the vines and enabled them to remain remarkably vibrant and take them through to ripening and harvest. The drought conditions resulted in reduced yields by about thirty percent but importantly quality from 2007 is very good.

VINEYARD

This vineyard was planted in 1875 and produces very low yields of around one tonne per acre from old, gnarly, dry grown vines. The top soil is sandy with excellent clay subsoil.

WINEMAKING

The old Shiraz vines were harvested on the 8th March and the grapes gently destemmed into a small open top fermenter. The grapes were fermented for nine days on skins where hand pumpovers were employed two to three times daily. The must was basket pressed and immediately filled to new and seasoned French & American oak hogsheads where it completed fermentation. The wine was matured in hogsheads for two years prior to bottling. Johann Georg Shiraz is bottled unfined and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

In colour, the wine is dark red. On the complex nose there are aromas of dark fruit, tar, roast meats and subtle spice. The palate is full-bodied and very complex with layers of flavour and a chewy texture. Tanins are prominent but well balanced and add a muscular structure to this wine. A long finish completes this intense, sophisticated and very classy old vine Shiraz. A superb wine that whilst drinks well upon release will ultimately benefit from a decade or more in the cellar.



This wine is 100% Organic as certified by Australian Certified Organic.