



## 2009 KALLESKE JOHANN GEORG SHIRAZ

**Johann Georg Shiraz** is a single vineyard wine produced from an ancient vineyard on our Kalleske estate at Greenock, in the North-Western Barossa Valley. The vineyard was planted in 1875 and the gnarly, dry-grown vines produce extremely low yields. As this wine is from the oldest vineyard on our Kalleske farm, it is a fitting tribute to name the wine in honour of the first Kalleske to migrate to Australia. Johann Georg Kalleske migrated from Prussia to South Australia in 1838 aboard the Prince George. Johann's descendants now meticulously tend the Johann Georg vineyard planted two centuries ago. An amazing wine, produced in tiny quantities and destined for long term cellaring, Johann Georg Shiraz is truly something special.

### GROWING SEASON

2009 was a brilliant vintage with ideal ripening conditions, great quality and moderate yields. The growing season started cooler than average and was followed by a short heat period before perfect Autumnal weather (mid to high 20s) prevailed for the entire vintage.

### 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 hand picked on March 19th 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 unfiltered and unfiltered.

### TASTING NOTES

2009 Johann Georg Shiraz is dark purple black in colour. On the nose there are powerful aromatics of bright red and black fruits, floral perfume, briar, cedar, savoury spice, cured meats and sweet herbs. The palate is full-bodied and sophisticated displaying purity of fruit and subtle barrel ferment characters. Stylish and elegant but with great intensity this is a classy Shiraz. Tannins are fine and integrated adding structure and poise. Silky, but solid, this discerning wine is completed by an amazingly lengthy finish. Johann is 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 / Biodynamic  
as certified by Australian Certified Organic.***

