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2009 KALLESKE OLD VINE GRENACHE

Old Vine Grenache 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.

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

Old Vine Grenache is made from a single vineyard planted in 1935 as bush vines on the Kalleske farm. The vineyard soil is shallow sand with light clay subsoil and the grapes are entirely dry-grown ensuring intensely flavoured fruit.

WINEMAKING

Following hand picking on April 7th, grapes were destemmed into an open-top fermenter. The must was warmly fermented using native yeast and gentle hand pumpovers were carried out twice a day for flavour and colour extraction. After fermentation on skins for twelve days the must was traditionally pressed and then filled to barrel. The wine was matured in American and French oak hogsheads for two years prior to bottling. An intense, rich and robust Barossa Grenache.

TASTING NOTES

Old Vine Grenache 2009 is deep crimson red in colour. The nose displays enticing aromas of raspberry, Turkish delight, mint chocolate, rose petal and clove spice. On the full-bodied palate there are flavours of fleshy fruit, dark cherry and a touch of licorice. There are fine tannins adding structure, texture and mouthfeel. A very long finish of pure varietal fruit flavours completes this complex Grenache. This distinguished wine drinks well now but is ideally suited for serious cellaring.

"Handcrafted, organic wines...

the way nature intended"



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



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