



2010 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

2010 was an outstanding vintage – one of the best of the decade. It was a steady vintage with ideal warm Autumn days and cool nights. Fruit ripened perfectly, was picked at optimum time and brilliant wine has resulted. Truly a standout 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 23rd and the grapes gently destemmed into a small open top fermenter. The grapes were fermented for fourteen days on skins where hand pumpovers were employed twice daily. The must was 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 unfinned and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

2010 Johann Georg Shiraz is dark black in colour. On the nose there are pristine aromatics of inviting red and black fruits, cedar, roast meats, herbs, blueberry, nutmeg and perfume. The palate is full-bodied and superbly balanced with bright but dark fruits and subtle barrel ferment characters. Extremely stylish and elegant but still powerful, purity of fruit is the driver of this wine. Savoury flavours of cured meats, a hallmark of Barossa old vine Shiraz, adds further complexity and interest. The silky tannins are ripe, fine and integrated adding seamless structure. A very lengthy finish completes this distinguished wine. Johann is a superb old vine Barossa Shiraz 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.*