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BAROSSA VALLEY



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## 2013 KALLESKE DODGER TEMPRANILLO

Our Kalleske vineyard and farm was established at Greenock in the Barossa's North-West in 1853. Since the early 1900s, the 'dodger' has been indispensable in the vineyard. The vine dodger is a mechanical weeder that removes weeds from around the vines whilst dodging the vines themselves. In the early years the dodger was pulled by a horse and steered by hand and then in the 1960s the horse was replaced by a tractor. Fundamentally the dodger hasn't changed much and today it is still used to naturally control the weeds in our vineyards. Dodger Tempranillo is a single vineyard wine that's been grown, vintaged and matured on our Kalleske property. Vigilant grape growing, traditional winemaking and sixteen months barrel maturation has resulted in a sophisticated, medium bodied Tempranillo displaying classic structure and varietal expression typical of our Kalleske vineyard.

### GROWING SEASON

Vintage 2013 was a great quality year. However, yields were very low as a result of a very dry season, with less than half the normal growing season rainfall. It was also warmer than average with the dry and warm conditions resulting in vintage being three weeks earlier than normal. Importantly though, quality was amazing. Wines are rich, mouthfilling and extremely lengthy.

### VINEYARD

The single-vineyard Dodger Tempranillo block is the newest variety on the Kalleske property. The hand-pruned vines are low-yielding and are grown in sandy loam soil with quartz and ironstone over deep red clay.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were picked on 25th February 2013 and then destemmed into an open top fermenter. The must was wild-fermented for 8 days on skins with hand pump-overs twice a day. After pressing off skins the Tempranillo was filled to seasoned French oak hogsheads where it underwent natural malolactic fermentation in barrel. Dodger was matured in barrel for sixteen months prior to bottling.

### TASTING NOTES

Dodger Tempranillo 2013 is deep red in colour with purple hue. Lifted and energetic, the aroma is bright and inviting with characters of brambly fruits, roasted herbs, spice and dark cherry. The medium bodied palate exudes initial red fruits complexed with savoury earth, spice and a touch of leather. The natural tannins add dimension and are chewy but finely integrated and give a nice dry lingering finish. Overall this is a very harmonious and varietally true Tempranillo. Dodger can be enjoyed now or over the next eight years.



This wine is 100% Organic /  
Biodynamic as certified by  
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