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KALLESKE OLD VINE GRENACHE 2005

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:

The 2005 growing season started with a wet Winter and Spring, providing excellent moisture for the vines. A cooler than average Summer with no heat waves resulted in gradual ripening and retained natural acidity in the grapes. A dry, mild to warm Autumn with sunny days provided ideal ripening conditions to finish the grapes to maturity. A good vintage with intense flavours.

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 the 13th April, grapes were destemmed into open-top fermenters. This old vine vineyard provides excellent natural acidity, with acid additions not required. The must was warmly fermented using native yeast and ferment temperatures reached up to 34 degrees celsius. Gentle hand pumpovers were carried out twice a day for flavour and colour extraction. After fermentation on skins for eight days the must was traditionally basket pressed and then filled to barrel. The wine was matured in American and French oak hogsheads for twenty two months prior to bottling. An intense, rich and robust Barossa Grenache.

Tasting Notes:

The wine is deep red in colour. There are intense aromas of blackberry, violets, musk, dark chocolate, sandalwood, licorice and a hint of mint and clove spice. The full bodied palate is mouthfilling with beautiful Grenache fruit flavours. Tannins are round and provide a layered structure. The wine is harmoniously balanced with a rich but soft mouth-feel. A long finish completes this distinguished wine. Great drinking now but ideally suited for serious cellaring.