



Wines of Elegance and Finesse from the Barossa Valley and the Adelaide Hills

2005 “The Old Barossa Blend” Grenache Shiraz

Named “The Old Barossa Blend” as this wine represents a blend of grapes commonly used in the Barossa when German and English settlers first commenced making wine here in the 1840’s.

A blend of 75% Grenache and 25% Shiraz from our Winter Creek Vineyards at Williamstown in the cooler southern Barossa Valley. The wine has a deep red purple colour with aromas of cherry and strawberry from the Grenache component. The Shiraz contributes a firm tannin finish to the structure of the wine increasing palate length. A great wine with food.

Winemaking

Crushed and destemmed, then inoculated with a specially selected yeast and fermented for 7 days at 23°C to 25°C in open fermenters. The separate parcels of wines were transferred to 100% pre-used French oak hogsheads, blended in June with a total age in barrels of 12 months before bottling without filtering or fining.



Vintage

Good summer rains and mild ripening conditions resulted in a crop of excellent quality. Weather during ripening was ideal for even and consistent sugar, colour and flavour development. Later ripening varieties such as Grenache achieved intense fruit flavours and vibrant aromatics.

Awards

First in Class
 2 Silver
 3 Bronze Medals
 90 Points James Halliday
 88 Points Penguin Wine Guide

Technical Data

Region	Barossa Valley	Harvest Date	March 2005
Locality	Williamstown	Alcohol	14%
Elevation	300 metres	pH	3.4
Vine Age	Grenache – 80 years Shiraz – 17 years	TA	6.8
Grape Varieties	Grenache – 75% Shiraz – 25%	Bottled	April 2006
Training Method	Grenache – T trellis Shiraz – Smart Dyson	Production	390 dozen

Winter Creek Wine
 PO Box 170
 Williamstown SA 5351
 Australia

Phone: +61 8 85246 382
Fax: +61 8 85246 384
email: sales@wintercreekwine.com.au
web: www.wintercreekwine.com.au