

# STONE ALTAR SHIRAZ

*Variety:* Old Vine Shiraz

*Vintage:* 2021

*Region:* Barossa, South Australia

*Alcohol:* 14.5%

At the foot of the iconic Kaiserstuhl mountain, the early Silesian settlers of the Barossa constructed a stone altar – a sanctuary for prayer in their new homeland. Our Krondorf Stone Altar Shiraz is a tribute to the settlers' resourcefulness and resilience, which helped the famed Barossa old vines thrive.

## *Vintage 2021*

The 2021 growing season in the Barossa offered favourable conditions, with the summer growing season mild and even, with cool day time temperatures.

Enhanced by excellent rains across winter and spring and a full moisture profile in the soil, the vineyards developed wonderful canopies and well-formed grape bunches.

As a result of the long flavour development and ripening cycle in the vineyard, the 2021 vintage resulted in fruit of exceptional quality and excellent yields.

Regarded as one of the most renowned vintages, wines produced from the exceptional fruit of 2021 exhibit great depth of colour, with intense, concentrated varietal fruit flavours, whilst robust reds will have firm tannins which will mellow and soften with careful cellaring.

## *Winemaking*

This wine has been carefully crafted from a very low yielding, exceptional single vineyard site in the Light Pass sub-region of the Barossa Valley. The old vine fruit has been picked at optimum ripeness and matured carefully in French oak casks for 18 months.

## *Tasting Notes*

Intense, deep red with a crimson hue, this wine has lifted dark cherry and plum aromas, married perfectly with nuances of cinnamon and dark chocolate.

The palate displays the richness and concentration which Barossa Old Vine Shiraz is renowned for. Plum and dark spice feature, integrating perfectly with loose knit velvety tannins, beautifully balanced with exceptional power and length.

## *Cellaring*

To 2028.

