



TURKEY  
FLAT  
VINEYARDS  
BAROSSA VALLEY

1995 SHIRAZ

Much of the credit for Barossa Shiraz comes from some of the oldest remaining vines in the world. As a result of a far-sighted quarantine scheme South Australia was spared the phylloxera outbreak which devastated the Victorian industry in the late 1800's. This meant that some of the very old vines planted by German settlers in the Barossa managed to survive. Usually grown with their roots deep in the soil, they produce fruit of outstanding colour and flavour.

Turkey Flat Vineyard boasts some of these old vines, planted in 1847. We believe they are among the oldest in the world and their fruit is immortalised in our Shiraz.

Although we were disheartened with the low yields, which were less than half of our normal Shiraz crop, the dry conditions and frost led to smaller bunches and smaller berries which concentrated the fruit flavours.

During the 22 months in barrel it evolved from being tightly structured to a wine which has the colour, tannin and acid structure to age for as long as 20 years.

*The Wine*

Harvested	- 29 March 1995
Time on Skins	- 7 Days
Bottled	- 18 February 1997
Oak Treatment	- French and American oak hogsheads
Colour	- deep red purple
Nose	- rich, concentrated berry fruit
Palate	- dark chocolate, dark cherry, stewed plums, soft tannins
Cellar	- 10 to 20 years
Alcohol	- 14.6% alc/vol