



2010 Power of One Shiraz

*Produced by the Old Plains Wine Co.
Domenic Torzi & Tim Freeland*

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Curiously sourced from 'old vines' (1950s) on the Adelaide Plains, a region certainly often overlooked for fancy wine production but has a kind of yesteryear feel for me. The vine pull scheme went deep on the region in the 1980s, but winemakers Tim Freeland and Dom Torzi fire up the winery for the fruit, giving it 24 months in French oak. From the range that brings the often great value Longhop wines too.

Really delicious to drink, first and foremost, appealing for its old school kind of sweet/savoury mix and satisfying, fine, bony tannin profile giving tension to the rippling slosh of dark, brambly black fruits. Touched up with dusty, rustic feel and even-keeled in its medium-to-full-bodied way, the wine curiously flows with a gliding purity underneath the heady sarsaparilla spice sweetness and savoury clove stuff. Swirls boldly in the glass, immensely satisfying and tapers to a click of briny acidity. I'd drink this in youth over age, but plenty left in the tank. Oh boy. Oh yes.

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The Adelaide Plains may be an unheralded region but Domenic Torzi and Tim Freeland have crafted a wine full of integrity and leather-clad personality from vineyards that escaped the chop in the infamous vine-pull scheme of the 1980s.

Smooth yet rippling with black fruited depth and cinnamon spice; it emanates hay, earth and licorice in the glass and fairly glides across the palate. Sweet and savoury interplay with oak handled in its stride. Tannins are ripe, fine and disciplined. Ruggedly handsome yet frighteningly suave, this has the whole kit and caboodle going for it.