TASTING NOTE



Name of Winery Old Plains Wine Co.
Wine Power of One Shiraz

Vintage 2013

Region of Fruit Source Adelaide Plains

Sub-Regions Angle Vale, Hillier, Penfield Gardens

Specific Vineyard J Noto, Manno, Gallarello Soil Red clay over limestone,

Sandy Alluvium

Trellis System Single wire Varietal Blend Shiraz

Winemakers Domenic Torzi / Tim Freeland

Alc/vol 14.5 % Age of Vines 50 years

Yield per acre 2 tonnes per acre Total Production 250 cases

The Craft

Whole berry ferment in small open top fermenters. The must was gravity fed directly to the fermenters without pumping. Eight days on skins with soft pump overs and minimal hand plunging. Gentle basket press extraction with ferment finishing off in barrel. Matured for 26 months in 100% French oak. One racking prior to unfiltered bottling.

Vintage Comments

Across the board 2013 was an outstanding vintage in many ways. In terms of quality it will rate extremely high, in terms of fruit timing it produced some of our earliest picking on record, in terms of weather conditions one of the driest and coolest for a long time.

Our Adelaide Plains and Mt Lofty Ranges vineyards really stood up to the dry conditions, yields were approx 15% down, quality was up and no instance of disease, damaged or stressed fruit were recorded. Vintage commenced Feb 13 with the 'Plains shiraz, fruit came thick and fast over the next four weeks in a compact crushing season. Old Vine grenache harvest Feb 16, earliest on record. The last block of One Tree Hill shiraz, March 9, finishing March 10 with Lenswood Pinot Gris.

Vineyard Notes

A classic selection of Adelaide Plains old vine vineyards each bringing its own personality. Angle Vale & Penfield Gardens provide classic Australian grape growing territory, 50 year old vines pocketed in thick-set red clay and loam. Whilst further east at Hillier along the banks of the Gawler River we have 50 year old vines sited in lighter Alluvium type loam.

Tasting note

Exhibits heady aromatics of sweet baking spice, earth and dark chocolate. Flavours continue to the palate with smoked cured meats, ripe raspberries and licorice. Finishing long, juicy with ripe fine tannins. Cellar potential 10 years.