

WINE CO & VINEYARDS

The Old Plains Wine Co. was established by Domenic Torzi and Tim Freeland in 2002. Their driving ambition was to salvage some of the last remaining old vine vineyards in the Adelaide Plains region of South Australia. These vineyards were generally planted post WWII by Italian migrants & returned servicemen.

The vineyards survived intact until the mid '80's when many were uprooted to make way for market gardens, almond orchards and housing.

Families generally left and acre or two, or a couple of rows for the family cantina wine, we source fruit from these remnant vineyards and since 2002 have produced a range of shiraz, grenache and cabernet that oozes all the dark fruit flavour that only old vine hand made basket pressed wines can offer. Torzi & Freeland are traditionally taught winemakers, using traditional techniques. Vineyards utilise sustainable growing practices with the fruit hand-picked.

VINTAGE INFORMATION

Name Of Winery Old Plains

Wine Terreno Old Vine Grenache

Vintage 2019

Region of Fruit Source Adelaide Plains

Specific Vineyards Noto - Red clay over limestone

Contouris - Gawler River Alluvium

Trellis System Single wire
Varietal Blend 100% Grenache
Varietal Clones Rhone & Iberian

Winemaker(s) Tim Freeland/Domenic Torzi

Alc/vol 14.5 %
Age of Vines 60 years
Total Production 140 dozen

The Craft

Hand picked, whole berry ferment in one 2T open top fermenter. Approx 15% whole bunch, 24 hour cold soak, seven day ferment at 28c on skins with soft pump overs and minimal hand plunging. Gentle basket press extraction with ferment finishing off in barrel. Matured for 18 months in 100% French oak. One racking prior to unfiltered bottling.

Tasting Notes

Deeply coloured, ripe and concentrated, pure raspberry, multitude of black fruits, loaded with complex spice and layered thick. Lovely balance with silky smooth, very long palate and lingering finish. A class effort from the Adelaide Plains sites.

Vineyard Notes

A classic selection of Adelaide Plains old vine vineyards each bringing its own personality. Angle Vale provides 60 year old vines pocketed in thick-set red clay and loams. Whilst further north along the banks of the meandering Gawler River we have 60 year old vines sited in lighter Gawler River Alluvium sandy loam.



