



CLIFTON

ESTATE

CLIFTON '1837' SHIRAZ



VINTAGE	2010	REGION	Barossa
HARVESTED	March 2010	BOTTLED	May 2012
ALCOHOL	14.5%		

WINEMAKERS NOTE

'1837' from the 2010 vintage displays a deep red / purple colour, the nose is very lifted and spicy with layers of dark chocolate, mocha and Christmas cake. The palate is rich and full bodied with blackberries, cassis and mocha oak notes which characterise this intensely flavoured Barossa Shiraz. The wine is mouth filling and satisfying with its creamy texture and fine silky tannins. The wine has great length with lingering flavours of blackberry fruit and well integrated oak.

VINTAGE

The 2010 vintage followed good winter rainfall in 2009 and allowed the vineyards to commence the 2010 season with good soil moisture levels. This soil moisture, combined with moderate weather conditions throughout most of the growing season allowed for good fruit set and canopy development. In summary an excellent vintage, with very little extreme weather resulting in fantastic colour and flavour.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was harvested at night. Fermentation was carried out in a variety of small capacity fermenters. After pressing the parcels were filled to French oak for maturation. The wine was racked after six months and the parcels were blended to form the final wine.

OAK MATURATION

16 months in American oak 40% new .

