



A story that has intrigued us for years is the fable of the legendary founders of Ancient Rome, Romulus and Remus. These twins were abandoned at birth and reared by a she-wolf. Romulus murdered his twin in a fit of rage over the naming of Rome, the city which both had built. Legend presents Romulus as the stronger, more powerful of the brothers, while Remus was more refined, focussed and elegant. We believe the twins' characterise the distinctive and unique flavours and attributes of Shiraz from the twin valleys – the Barossa Valley and Eden Valley.

2012 REMUS Eden Valley Shiraz

Wine Description

Deep inky purple in colour with bright crimson hues this wine has a combination of dark cherry and complex spicy aromas. The palate displays layers of blue berry fruit character with nuances of dried herb contributing to complexity. Velvety tannins and a core strength of flavour persists through the length of the palate.

Winemaking

Hand harvested, destemmed and crushed into small 1.5 tonne open topped fermenters. Selected fermenters also had a component of whole bunches added to the destemmed berries. A pre-fermentation cool soak ensured a slow initiation to fermentation. Ferment temperatures were allowed to peak at 32°C before being cooled to 28°C for the remainder of the fermentation. Hand plunged daily allowed for a gentle extraction and helped to prolong the fermentation. After an extended period on skins the ferments were pressed to predominately new French oak hogsheads. Matured and racked only once through the 22-month maturation period provided for extended mouth-feel and wine texture development. Prior to bottling, natural clarification and stabilisation techniques were employed to ensure minimal finings and no filtration.

Vineyard | Region

Eden Valley 50+ year old vineyard | Moculta sub-region

Eden Valley 50+ year old vineyard #1 | Central Eden Valley sub-region

Eden Valley 50+ year old vineyard #2 | Central Eden Valley sub-region

Harvest Date

2nd April 2012 – Moculta vineyard

20th March 2012 – Central Eden Valley vineyard #1

30th March 2012 – Central Eden Valley vineyard #2

Yield

1.4 t/acre Moculta vineyard

1.2 t/acre Central Eden Valley vineyard #1

1.5 t/acre Central Eden Valley vineyard #2

Wine Details

Alcohol: 14.5%

Shiraz 100%

pH: 3.68

Residual Sugar: NIL

Total Acidity: 6.1 g/l

Production: 500 doz

Cellaring Potential

Built to last - optimum year 2025 +