



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.

2010 ROMULUS Barossa Valley Shiraz

Wine Description

Deep ruby and garnet in colour with a complex aroma of dense plum and liquorice with hints of spice and vanilla bean. A powerful and fleshy palate displaying great length and balance.

Winemaking

Hand harvested, destemmed and crushed into small 1.5 tonne open topped fermenters. A variety of fermentation techniques across different old vine batches contributes to a range of wine outcomes that are important in creating the layers of flavours and texture in the Romulus. All ferments, however, were hand plunged daily ensuring a gentle extraction and after a long period on skins the ferments were pressed to predominately new American Oak hogsheads. Matured and raked only once through the 20-month maturation period provides for extended mouth-feel and wine palate texture. Prior to bottling, natural clarification and stabilisation techniques were employed to ensure minimal finings and no filtration.

Vineyard | Region

Barossa Valley 85+ year-old vineyard | Light Pass sub-region
Barossa Valley 80+ year-old vineyard | Moppa sub-region

Harvest Date

4th March 2010 (Light Pass vineyard)
16th March 2010 (Moppa vineyard)

Yield

1.8 t/acre Light Pass vineyard
1.1 t/acre Moppa vineyard

Wine Details

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| Alcohol: 14.5% | Shiraz 100% |
| pH: 3.5 | Residual Sugar: NIL |
| Total Acidity: 6.7 g/l | Production: 400 doz |

Cellaring Potential

Built to last - optimum year 2025

Gold Medal – 2012 Royal Adelaide Wine Show, Class 27, Shiraz 2010

96pts – James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2014

95pts - Gary Walsh, Wine Front 8th May 2013