



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.

2017 REMUS Eden Valley Old Vine Shiraz

Wine Description

Deep garnet in colour with an alluring mix of red-cherry fruits, bay-leaf and white-pepper spice aromas. A concentrated, fleshy and well structured palate that has excellent focus and precision. From an outstanding vintage for old vine Shiraz, this wine will age gracefully for many years to come.

Winemaking

Hand harvested, destemmed and crushed into small 1.5 tonne open topped fermenters. Selected fermenters had up to 25% whole-bunch clusters added to the destemmed berries. A pre-fermentation cold soak ensured a slow initiation to fermentation, where temperatures were allowed to peak at 27°C before being cooled to 20°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 45% new French oak hogsheads. Matured and not racked throughout the 18-month oak-maturation period provided for palate weight and texture. Prior to bottling, the wine was naturally clarified and bottled without filtration.

Vineyard | Region

To qualify for the Remus blend the vineyards need to be over 50 years of age and managed sustainably.

Eden Valley 60+ year old vineyard | Flaxman Valley sub-region

Eden Valley 60+ year old vineyard | Keyneton sub-region

Eden Valley 80+ year old vineyard | Central Eden Valley sub-region

Harvest Date

18th April 2017 | Flaxman Valley vineyard

19th April 2017 | Keyneton vineyard

3rd May 2017 | Central Eden Valley vineyard

Yield

2.2 t/acre Flaxman Valley vineyard

2.0 t/acre Keyneton vineyard

2.0 t/acre Central Eden Valley vineyard

Wine Details

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.74

Total Acidity: 5.9 g/l

Shiraz 100%

Residual Sugar: NIL

Production: 800 doz

Cellaring Potential

Built to last - optimum year 2028+