



## Teusner Albert Shiraz 2010

The Teusner Albert Shiraz is named after Kym's Grandfather, Albert Alfred Teusner and comes from parcels of fruit sourced from a couple of our favourite vineyards, one old block in the Barossa's North at Ebenezer and the other, again old vine material at the Barossa's Southern-most extremity at Williamstown.

2010 was very kind to us in the Barossa.....we believe it is one of the best vintages of the past decade. It was a long, near perfect growing season – cool nights and warm days allowing the grapes to mature with fantastic balance and flavours.

The wine is crushed and fermented in open fermenters with twice daily pump-overs before heading to French oak (30% new) for around 18 months before the barrels are classified, the wine blended and again returned to barrel briefly to re-integrate before going to bottle without fining or filtration.

Pure, expressive and displaying the Albert is a joy to drink now but will greatly reward those patient enough to give it a rest in the cellar for a dozen years.

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Variety: Shiraz 100%

Bouquet: Concentrated, opulent aromas of blackberry, black Satsuma plum, black cherry and cassis burst from the glass with great intensity. Hints of heady fruitcake spice, licorice, dark chocolate, clove and well-integrated vanillin oak flit around in the background along with a light waft of jasmine.

Palate: Concentrated, supple and velvety in the mouth with a lovely sense of energy across the palate. Again intense black berry fruits come to the fore with hints of deep-set baking spice, dried citrus peel, dark chocolate, polished leather, licorice and judicious dreamy oak. Intense but showing great tension between the ripe fruit, melt-in-the-mouth tannins and bright acidity the wine finishes with great length and aplomb.

Analysis: pH 3.5, T.A. 6.2g/L, R.S. Dry, Alcohol 14.5%, Free/Total SO<sub>2</sub> 29/88 at bottling.

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