

# Barossa Babe Tasting Notes

## 2003 Barossa Valley Shiraz

### Grapes

100% Shiraz

### District of origin of grapes

100% Barossa Valley, South Australia

### Vinification

Warm fermentation in small open fermenters

18 months storage in oak

70% new French oak barrels

30% new American oak barrels

### Analysis

Alcohol 15.6%

pH 3.49

Acid 6.78g/L

Sugar 2.0g/L

### Colour

Deep red/purple.

### Nose

An elemental and ethereal wine with rich, ripe red and black cherry/plum fruits overlaid with spice, aniseed/ginger and spicy/vanillin oak characters.

### Palate

Sweet, rich and concentrated, this blockbuster Barossa Valley Shiraz is bountiful in blackberry jam and plum fruits. These primary fruit flavours are complimented by sweet oak and gripping solid tannins, which results in a wine with exceptional palate length.

### Winemakers comments

Much of this wine is made from 140 year old Barossa Valley Shiraz vines. The intense power and complexity of this creation from Mother Nature will continue to improve in the bottle over the next 15 years or more.

