



**Region:** Barossa Valley, Australia  
**Grape Variety:** 100% Shiraz  
**Vintage:** 2015  
**Alcohol:** 14.5%  
**Closure:** Screw Cap

**Oak Treatment:** 73% new and 27% old French oak Hogsheads and Barriques for 25 months  
**Vine age:** 1843 plantings  
**Sub Regional Source:** Single vineyard - at the winery property in Tanunda

# LANGMEIL

## The Freedom

### 1843 Shiraz

#### 2015



**Yield per acre:** 1.5 – 2 Tonnes per Acre  
**Trellising:** Single wire Rod & Spur with catch wire  
**Soil Type:** Dark, rich loam over limestone & ironstone, to red clay over limestone & ironstone  
**Harvest Details:** 3rd of March

**Technical Analysis:**  
**pH:** 3.51  
**TA:** 6.40 g/L  
**Residual Sugar:** 2.57 g/L  
**VA:** 0.55g/L

#### History

Langmeil is home to The Freedom Shiraz vineyard, which we believe was planted in 1843 by vigneron Christian Auricht. Escaping war and persecution in Prussia, Auricht travelled to his new homeland, finding Freedom in the Barossa Valley. His original plantings survive to this day and at 171 years old are some of the oldest and rarest vines in the world.

#### Winery

The Lindner family of Langmeil Winery has been immersed in the Barossa's culture of farming, food, wine and community for six generations. Their commitment to quality in all aspects is unwavering and any wine that bears the Langmeil name represents the family's pursuit of excellence in wine and community. The family's vision is to highlight the rare qualities of old vine Shiraz using hands-on winemaking techniques. Gentle destemming, open fermentation, basket pressing and two years in French oak accentuate the natural fruit intensity and structure.

#### 2014 Vintage Report

A much needed soaking winter and early spring rains led to a great start to the 2014 vintage. This didn't last as late spring and early summer rain was nearly non-existent, adding to the flow on from the previous season's drought. Yields were still below average, exacerbated by strong wind events during flowering and very hot conditions in January with 14 consecutive days over 40C. Vintage was looking like a hot, hard and fast one until mid-February, when the heavens opened up and dumped 90ml in the Barossa Valley and 150ml in Eden Valley. Concerns for crop loss were fortunately alleviated as there was minimal grape splitting in the whites and all the reds just said thank you very much. After a three-week delay for grapes to return to previous ripeness levels, the rest of vintage was mild - extending hang time for great flavour development and resulting in a calm and steady intake of great quality fruit. The nice weather broke midway through April and hindered our patience with late ripening Eden Valley Cabernet, so our last crush for the year was the 28th of April. Overall, a very good vintage with a few anxious moments thrown in. Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker

**Colour:** Deep crimson with purple hues.  
**Aroma:** An intense aroma of ripe Satsuma plum, mocha and toasty, roasty notes, mingle with hints of cedar and sweet spice.  
**Palate:** Rich, sweet fruit is balanced wonderfully with

briary and sweet spice and lovely, silky tannins. A medium to full bodied, textured wine showing great complexity with hints of cedar and biscuit and in combination, flows through to the lengthy, fruitful and spicy finish.  
**Cellaring:** 2016 – 2028.