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2014 FUTURES SHIRAZ

EXCELLENCE IN BAROSSA SHIRAZ. OUR FOUNDATION AND OUR FUTURE.

The first wine we ever made and sold was called 'The Futures Shiraz'. It was exclusive to friends and family on a 'pay now and we'll deliver in two years' arrangement. In all honesty, it was simply that we needed the cash when we started to ensure that we did in fact have a future!

This 'Futures' wine is a toast to the faith of those friends and family who believed in our dream every bit as much as we did. It bears the same name as that original wine, and carries all of its spirited character.

True to its origins, Futures Shiraz is sourced from a small number of Barossa vineyards that produce low yielding and highly concentrated fruit. This is an eminently enjoyable wine now, but will handsomely reward with cellar maturation.

Winemaker's note	Deep red-black colour with a dark centre with a bouquet loaded with spicy plum and chocolate notes and the palate is typically firm , rich and with a long finish which is a legacy of the low yielding vineyards of the north-west Barossa. This is certainly a wine that will benefit from a few years of careful cellaring if so desired.
Vintage	The 2014 vintage started in very hot weather but was interrupted by two days of heavy rain in mid February after which the weather settled down and we experienced wonderful Indian summer conditions for the remainder of the vintage. This allowed the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly, producing wines of exceptional quality.
Vineyards	Selected, low yielding vineyards in the northern and western Barossa districts.
Winemaking	Fermented & macerated on skins for up to 2 weeks, with some partial barrel fermentation. Following processing and clarification, the wine was matured for 15 months in French oak hogsheads prior to bottling.
Enjoy	Perfect with roast beef, grilled steak, hearty casseroles such as braised ox tail or lamb shanks.
Analysis	Alc/vol 14.5% T.A 6.1g/L p/H 3.58 RS 2.8g/L



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Andrew Wigan, Chief Winemaker



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