



TURKEY
FLAT
VINEYARDS
BAROSSA VALLEY

2008 BUTCHERS BLOCK
(SHIRAZ GRENACHE MOURVÉDRE)

The Butchers Block is a traditional Barossa blend made with grapes selected from the Turkey Flat vineyards, including some from the original old vine plantings. It is a blend of Shiraz, Grenache and Mourvèdre (Mataro), with the proportions of each variety varying from vintage to vintage. The 2008 vintage of Butchers Block is a blend of 52% Shiraz, 24% Grenache and 24% Mourvèdre.

Each varietal component of this wine was vinified separately in open fermenters and subsequently aged in both hogsheads and larger format French oak for approximately 18 months. The result is an intense warm, earthy full-bodied red with seamless oak integration.

The nose is floral with hints of five spice, dark plum, cherry and blackcurrant. The palate is generous, displaying juicy sweet lifted fruits with a firm palate structure. An elegant and restrained wine with a velvety finish.

The Wine

Harvested	- February, March 2008
Maturity at Harvest	- 14.5' Baumé
Yeast Type	- L2226, D254 and EC1118
Skin Contact	- 10-14 days
MLF	- spontaneous in barrels
Oak Treatment	- 18 months in French oak hogsheads & large oak vats
Bottled	- November 2009
Colour	- deep ruby red
Nose	- dark plum and cherry, violets & five spice
Palate	- juicy sweet blackcurrants and Szechwan pepper with firm tannins & crisp acidity
Cellar	- up to 8 years
Alcohol	- 14.5%