



Captain Barossa: PASSION - FAIRNESS - VALUE

WELL here is a great initiative that takes the focus off the winemaker and places it onto the 'real heroes' – the Barossa growers and their vineyards. Captain Barossa believes the growers have never received the recognition or financial compensation they deserve so there is a commitment to giving the growers a fair go.



To date, four independent growers are part of the Captain Barossa venture, and the names of their vineyards are all prominently featured on the labels: De Fazio, Greenock (Angelo De Fazio); AK, Konnunga (Andy Kalleske); Elytra, Eden Valley (Phil and Sarah Lehmann) and Mackenzie, Williamstown (James and Islay Mackenzie).

Six wines are offered for online sale only: one white: the De Fazio Chardonnay 2011, and five reds: the Mackenzie Shiraz 2010, Elytra Shiraz Cabernet 2009, AK Petit Verdot 2009, AK Durif 2009 and De Fazio Grenache 2007. The prices are remarkably low – only \$12.99 for the chardonnay and \$17.99 a bottle for the reds.

What the concept is all about is championing the real essence of The Barossa's independent growers, their distinctive fruit, and ultimately the wine that evolves from their efforts.

The philosophy of Captain Barossa is simply Passion (about The Barossa and in particular, the region's magnificent wine), Fairness (committed to making growers profitable and financially sustainable) and Value (delivering

at incredible prices). Two wines worth buying at any opportunity are made by Andy Kalleske.

2009 AK DURIF

Showing a deep impenetrable red/purple it has aromas of blackberry, black plum, Crème de Cassis and macerated dark fruits. There are hints of dried flowers, fruitcake, graphite, earth, beef jus, tar, jasmine, kirsch and creamy, vanillin oak. The palate is a generous with supple viscosity with melt-in-your-mouth tannin and the bright acidity is in perfect tune with the rich fruit flavours.



2009 AK PETIT VERDOT

Now this wine was a real surprise with deep opaque red/purple hues in the glass and a bouquet of black plum and mulberry come to the fore with hints of broody exotic spice, olive tapenade, soy sauce, earth, tobacco, kirsch and licorice. The palate shows plenty of fruit weight in the mouth with concentrated flavours of blackberry, blackcurrant, plum and kirsch flowing across the palate. Hints of red cherry, Asian spice, dried flowers, licorice, olive paste, creamy oak and dark chocolate.



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