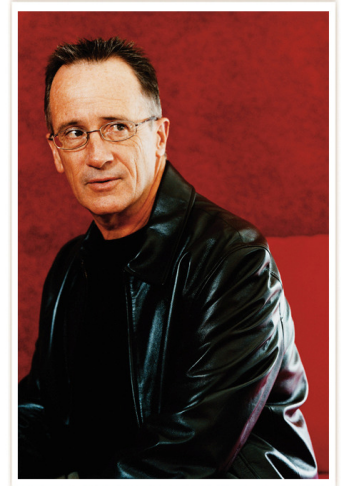

ANDREW WIGAN

Chief Winemaker



Chief Winemaker, **Andrew Wigan** with the experience learned over 30 Barossa vintages with Peter Lehmann, is one of Australia's best-known and highly decorated winemakers.

In 2003 & 2006 he collected the Trophies for International Winemaker of the Year and Australian Producer of the Year at the International Wine and Spirit Competition and in 2006 White Winemaker of the Year at the International Wine Challenge. He was named 2002 Barossa Winemaker of the Year and won the coveted AGT Wine Magazine 'Winemaker of the Year' in 2009.

Andrew Wigan grew up in the country town of Ararat in Victoria, Australia. Colin Preece of legendary Great Western fame became his mentor, fostering his love of wine and encouraging him to undertake the rigorous course of study.

The Roseworthy trained winemaker came to the Barossa Valley joining the Peter Lehmann winemaking team at Saltram in 1976, a decision he describes as "the best he ever made." Peter Lehmann says "that his decision to employ Andrew Wigan at that time and thence hand over the wine-making baton to Andrew, was the best decision he ever made".

Using the intimate knowledge of Barossa Valley vineyards gained whilst working with Peter, Andrew was a key member of the team which conceived and created our flagship wine; Stonewell Shiraz in 1987.

Stonewell is the wine that brought him and the Peter Lehmann Wines company greater recognition in the marketplace. Another notable wine his team developed is the unique Peter Lehmann Barossa Semillon, an unoaked style, which has become Australia's largest selling Semillon.

Andrew accepted the 1990 Jimmy Watson trophy with the 1989 Stonewell Shiraz and the PLW winemaking team has since won gold medals and trophies with successive vintages. The 1998 Peter Lehmann Barossa Shiraz was named Red Wine of the Year at the 2000 UK International Wine Challenge and the Peter Lehmann Reserve Riesling has been awarded the Best Riesling in the World trophy at the IWSC competition on five occasions now. The team he leads has been a consistent winner of major national and international wine trophies.

Andrew Wigan initiated the making of a distinctive sparkling shiraz, The Black Queen, and has been instrumental in the development and making of wines from particular sub-regions, and single vineyards within the Barossa.

As a respected national wine show judge Andrew Wigan is a regular on the Australian Wine Show judging circuit.

While his family, the Barossa, and its fine wines are his first passions, the Essendon AFL football team holds a special place in his heart.

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