

Schwarz Wine Company



THE SCHILLER SHIRAZ

The Barossa Valley is rich in history and the story behind my new label is testament to the dedication and hard work our forefathers went through over 100 years ago.

The fruit for the Schiller Shiraz is sourced from 130 year old; Ancestor vines that are very low yielding. These gnarly old vines I see today were planted by second generation, Carl August Otto Schiller, who procured the land from his father.

Carl was a hard working farmer and married Dorothea Maria Elisabeth Linke, in February 1885 at Gnadenfrei. They later welcomed the birth of eight children, one of whom – Carl Bernhard Schiller took over the property when he married and the remainder when his father retired.

Ben, as he was known, tended and nurtured this vineyard (seen in the picture driving his Massey Ferguson tractor) each day of his life.

As with many Barossa families and the line of succession, this very same vineyard is still held by the Schiller Family – six generations on!

The family's passion, dedication and connection to the land are just as strong as their forefathers once had.

The Schiller Shiraz is a weighty, rich and concentrated wine. As there were only 400 vines planted, the production of the Schiller Shiraz is limited.



Ben Schiller cultivating his vineyard in 1940



The marriage of Carl August Otto Schiller



Grape Delivery gone wrong