

# Tim Adams 2008 The Fergus

Our sixteenth release of The Fergus is named after our neighbour who was good enough to sell us his Grenache grapes in the vintage of 1993, during a desperate shortage of shiraz and cabernet. We quickly realised that a wine born from logistics had real potential as a medium, but soft style with immediate food compatibility. The wine has lifted red berry aromas and flavours, complexed by Grenache spiciness and given extra back palate astringency by the blending of other more tannic red varieties. It is a mouth filling wine that may be kept for up to 10 years, and will go nicely with duck, turkey, lamb and gamey meats.

## Varieties

Grenache, Tempranillo, Shiraz and Mataro

## Vineyards

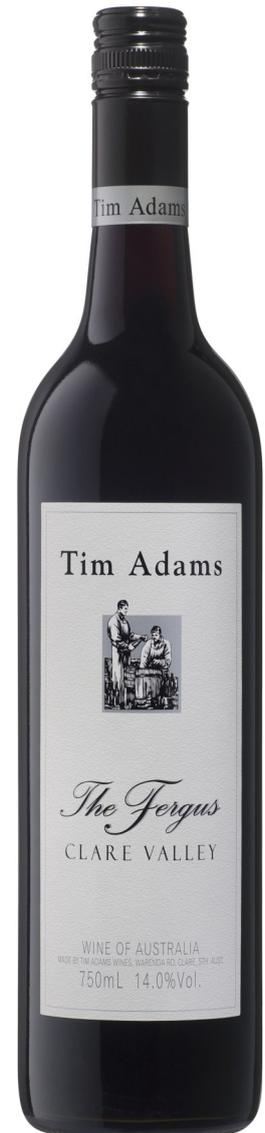
Mahons:	Fergus Mahon
Ladera:	Tim Adams & Pam Goldsack
St Clare:	Justin & Julie Ardill and partners
Cherax Hill:	leased by Tim Adams & Pam Goldsack
Sheoaks:	Tim Adams, Pam Goldsack, Grant Crawley
Ireland's:	Tim Adams & Pam Goldsack
Emu Rock:	Peter & Ros Clark

## Analysis at bottling

Free SO <sub>2</sub> :	30ppm
pH:	3.57
Total acid:	5.95g/L
Residual Sugar:	1.6g/L
Alcohol:	14.32%

## Winemaking

Grenache grapes, left in the vineyard to fully mature, were crushed on to fermented and drained skins of shiraz and mataro. Fermentation on skins lasted one week. The tanks were then topped and closed for another week prior to pressing the skins. A significant amount (33%) of tempranillo has been blended for complexity. The wines were then racked several times before filtration and transferred to old American oak. They remained in oak for 18 months until blending, filtration and bottling in August 2011. The wine has not been cold stabilised and so may form a harmless crystalline deposit in the bottle. Sealed under screw cap for freshness and authenticity.



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