

DiGiorgio
FAMILY WINES



COONAWARRA



2006 COONAWARRA FORTIFIED SHIRAZ

The DiGiorgio Family Wines Coonawarra Vineyard

In March 2002 the DiGiorgio Family became the proud owners of the second oldest winery in Coonawarra. This winery had been known since the early 1950's as 'Rouge Homme' and holds enormous importance within the 'winescape' of Australia. The 13.5ha of mature vineyard surrounding the winery is planted on the famous 'terra rossa' soil of Coonawarra. These old vineyards have provided the DiGiorgio Family with an invaluable source of premium grapes for their Coonawarra label. The DiGiorgio Coonawarra red wines are produced using traditional methods including open top fermentation, extended maturation in oak barrels and in bottle prior to release.

Harvest Details

Variety	100% Shiraz
G.I.	100% Coonawarra
Harvest Date	Last week of April 2006

Bottling Details

Alcohol	19.0%
T/A	6.8g/l
pH	3.44
Bottling Date	September 2008
Oak Handling	20 Months in old French oak barriques
Fortification	100% premium brandy spirit

Wine Details

Wine Style	Fortified red wine
Colour	Deep crimson, almost opaque
Nose	Concentrated red fruits, spice, and toasty vanillin oak
Palate	Rich and alluring, with intense fruit character balanced by soft tannins and mellow alcohol. A long, smooth finish

Winemaker's Comment

Made in part from shiraz vines dating back to the original Coonawarra fruit growing colony of 1890, this wine is a great example of the heritage of the DiGiorgio Coonawarra vineyard. Staff, family and friends gathered late in vintage to hand pick the super ripe shiraz grapes. Following open fermentation and gentle pressing the wine was fortified with pure brandy spirit and matured in old French oak. It has all the hallmarks of classic Australian fortifieds, and will age well for many years. Enjoy with your favourite mature cheeses

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