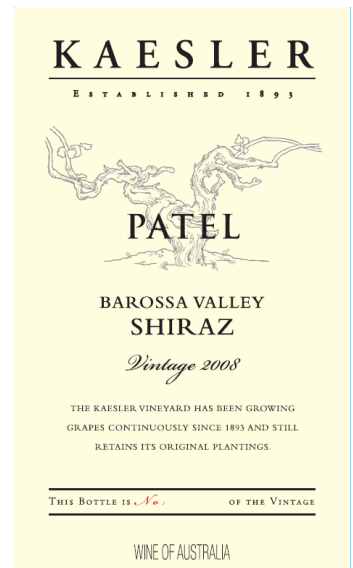


Patel and Alte Reben
2008
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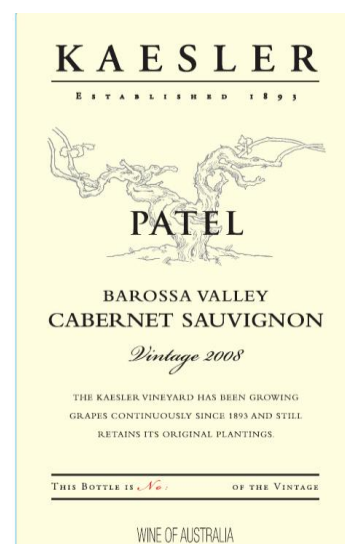
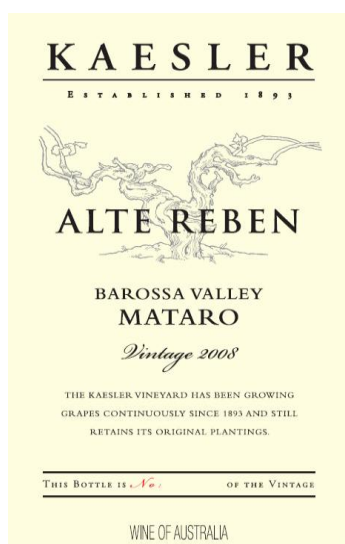


It's something we have been threatening to do for years. When Nigel van der Zande, (Vanders) our Vineyard Manager started with us in 2000, he had a brief to come up with another Old Bastard quality single vineyard wine. In some ways it was a throw away line as not in a million years did we think we would re-create the hype that went with that wine. With that Vanders identified some of our key blocks such as Mathews 1961 Shiraz plantings, our Nettlebeck Shiraz vineyard located at Marananga planted in 1893 and sections of our Mataro and Cabernet and the wheels were set in motion.

With the vineyard selection underway, we decided to brand these single vineyard, varietal wines under "Alte Reben" and "Patel". Alte Reben meaning "old vines" in German and Patel in honour of the history of the Kaesler family named after the ship on which they sailed migrating to Australia in 1845. In 2008 we released the 2006 Alte Reben and 2006 Patel Shiraz. (total production was 73 dozen per wine)

Well, Reid and Steve have done it again in the very tough vintage year of 2008. And yes it was a tough year for many, but luckily Nigel Van der Zande (Vanders) our Vineyard Manager saw the heat wave fast approaching, our fruit was ready and we picked quick smart. We finished picking all of our Shiraz and Cabernet within the first 3 days of the week prior to the heat wave. Grenache and Mataro were the last to be picked but even those we got in before the heat wave really struck. So to summarise – it was very dry vintage with a fast and furious end! It was a very low yielding vintage and we think that the low yields on the old vines caused the fruit to ripen faster than in previous years and this allowed us to start picking earlier prior to the heat, therefore avoiding any damage.

So out of all of that we got some stunning, very special single vineyard wines to follow on from our 2006 Alte Reben and Patel Shiraz.



2008 Patel Shiraz – *Second release*- 100% Shiraz sourced from Kaesler estate vines - Matthews 1961 block. The Matthews 1961 block we suspect is from the Old Bastard vineyard. The Mathews vineyard was acquired in 2000, but it was originally a property owned by Gottlieb Kaesler and was handed onto one of his sons on his passing. The Old Bastard we believe was used as a source block for the Old Vine vineyard and the Mathews vineyard. This wine was matured in French and American oak for 15 months. The Patel is a wine of intense fruit and structure and will need at least 10 years in the cellar. The palate is an intense mixture of dark chocolate and fruitcake. No fining or filtration.

Alc: 16.0% pH: 3.46 TA: 6.3g/l

Extremely Limited – Total Production – 50 dozen

2008 Alte Reben Shiraz – *Second release* -100% Shiraz sourced from Kaesler estate vines planted in 1893. The Nettlebeck vineyard just like the Patel block is vital to the quality of the The Bogan Shiraz blend. It has a soil type that is very unique and quite different to most of the Kaesler vineyards. Its structure is quite varied, but essentially it is an old river bed, with the higher side of the vineyard perched on a clay and shale base. The clay really helps with moisture retention and it this part of the vineyard from which the Alte Reben is sourced. We always suspected that we could do a single vineyard wine from this patch, as it is fairly large by old vine standards, not too many can boast custody of nine acres of Shiraz planted three centuries ago in 1899, it's a national treasure. This wine is more "Bogan" in style, dark blueberry and mocha notes, supply creamy mouthfeel. Maturation for 15 months in French oak. Ageing potential 10+ years. No fining or filtration.

Alc: 14.0% pH: 3.53 TA: 5.57 g/l

Extremely Limited – Total Production – 70 dozen

2008 Patel Cabernet Sauvignon – *New release*. 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. This is the first release for Kaesler of a single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon. Our understanding of this variety and the work we have put into our Cabernet vineyards has started to really pay off. 2008 was the year to make this special wine. Fruit was sourced from Kaesler estate vines planted in 1970. The wine has been matured in new and one year old French oak for 15 months. No fining or filtration.

Alc: 15.0% pH: 3.52 TA: 6.36 g/l

Extremely Limited – Total Production – 130 dozen

2008 Alte Reben Mataro – *New release* – 100% Mataro (Mourvedre). This is also the first release of a Kaesler single vineyard Mataro and to be honest it came as a bit of a surprise! This wine always stood out in all of our barrel tastings, so we released it under its own steam. Sourced from Kaesler estate vines planted in 1930. We usually use all the Mataro in our Avignon blend, but in 2008 it looked so amazing we keep a small parcel separate in one year old French oak for 15 months and bottled it as this straight varietal wine. No fining or filtration. Ageing potential, well it's a first for us, but we think medium term cellaring 5-8years.

Alc: 16.0% pH: 3.48 TA: 5.83 g/l

Extremely Limited – Total Production – 100 dozen