



*Wine with Soul*



## 2000 CASA FRESCHI LA SIGNORA

VARIETIES:	70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Shiraz, 6% Malbec
PRODUCTION:	8500 bottles
ALCOHOL:	13.5%
AVE. VINE AGE:	28 years
AVE. YIELD:	2.0 tonnes/acre
REFINEMENT:	18 months in tight grain French oak barriques (80% new) No fining or filtration.
RRP per bottle AUS:	\$34
SUMMARY:	An elegant, enchanting wine with a beguiling perfume and silky texture that is approachable young, but with the potential to improve for 4 to 5 years. A great accompaniment to most richly flavoured dishes.

### REVIEWS

#### **Robert Parker Jnr, The Wine Advocate, October 2002**

"This estate believes in handcrafted wines, thus neither fining nor filtration is practiced. The stylish, elegant, European-styled **2000 La Signora** (a blend of 70% cabernet sauvignon, 24% shiraz and 6% malbec aged in 80% new French oak for 18 months) exhibits a dark ruby/purple color along with Medoc-like aromas of tobacco leaf, licorice, and black currants. It is somewhat of a revelation from Australia given it's elegance and restraint, particularly when compared to all the grapy, thick, unctuous reds produced in South Australia. It should drink well for 7-10 years."

#### **Huon Hooke/Ralph Kyte-Powell, Penguin Wine Guide 02/03 Quality: 5 stars**

"Casa Freschi is an exciting new brand out of Langhorne Creek. Winemaker is David Freschi, who has just 4.5 hectares in Langhorne Creek, but the wines...wow! They have real intensity and excitement. A pity there are only 8500 bottles of this in existence.

Smart packaging sets the scene. The colour is amazingly deep, and then the nose: powerful raspberry, peppermint and cassis, with a high note of crushed leaf. Sweet vanillan oak chimes in the mouth, layered with clean berry fruit. It's very intense and really captivates your attention. Impressive vino!

#### **Philip White, Advertiser ; Australia's Top 100 Wines for 2002 93 points**

"...as much sensuality as you can get in a glass."

#### **Philip Rich, AFR Magazine, Top 20 wines in Australia for 2002.**

Made in tiny quantities from a family vineyard planted in Langhorne Creek in 1972, David and Tania Freschi's Casa Freschi wines are amongst the most promising debuts that I can recall. Only 700 cases were made of this beautifully crafted, concentrated wine..."