RECHNER WINE BARRELL INFORMATION



The barrel carvings were commissioned in early 1970's by a former Barossa Valley co operative called Nurivin Copperative who operated on the Nuriootpa sire. This was later renamed Kaiser Stuhl as a marketing manoeuvre. The 12 barrels were created to tell the story of early Germain settlement in the Barossa and the Kaiser Stuhl Winery. Each barrel is part of the story. There are 12 barrels in total.

These barrels were commissioned in the early 1970's and were made in Germany and shipped to Australia. The casks hold 550 galloons and were used for maturing either red wines or white wines.

The barrels were on display in the Kaiser Stuhl visitors centre (now renamed Penfolds wines) until the early 2000's when they were sold off.

They are currently house in a storage shed off the Wolf Blass Visitor Centre. You can view then at an organised time, accompanied by a Wolf Blass staff member between 10am-12pm or 2.30-4.30pm most days. You can purchased a cheese platter at the visitors centre along with a tasting or a 3 course lunch purchased through the Scoopan website. The barrel is in use storing fortified wine. Wolf Blass has 11 of the 12 wine barrels. The whereabouts of the 12th barrel is currently unknown.

The Light Pass/ GJ Rechner 1844 wine barrell is 5th barrell made, but order of the barrels without dates is a guess.



This is a picture from an 1974 Penfolds visits brochure showing the barrels on display in Penfolds Visitors Centre, Nuriootpa.





















