

# Ashmead Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

ELDERTON WINES, BAROSSA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA



## HARVEST & VINTAGE NOTES

The Ashmead block has consistently produced small parcels of excellent quality fruit. The 2016 is the seventeenth release of this unparalleled wine, and is a superior example of Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon.

Estate grown on the Nuriootpa vineyard, the fruit is sourced from a single block planted circa 1944. Deep alluvial silt over red and brown soil and limestone near the banks of the North Para River allow the vines to grow deep roots, so they need minimal irrigation.

The hand harvested fruit was fermented in open top concrete fermenters with chilled ferments, hand pump-overs and cap submerging with oak header boards for eight days. The process finished with barrel ferment and MLF in new French oak. The wine is aged in a mix of new French oak hogsheads from about 8 different coopers for 18 months.

Deep purple in color with aromas of dark chocolate, black fruits and olives. The palate is smooth and rich with flavors of cassis, mint and licorice, and a chocolatey finish. Supple and mouth watering, with ripe tannins that add structure.

Drink now or cellar for 8+ years.



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WINEMAKER: Richard Langford

GRAPES: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.0 g/L

ACIDITY: 6.5 g/L (Titratable Acid)

pH: 3.63

TOTAL SULPHUR: 69 ppm

