

Barossa Shiraz 2018

ELDERTON WINES, BAROSSA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA



HARVEST & VINTAGE NOTES

The fruit for Elderton Shiraz was traditionally sourced from the Elderton vineyard situated on the banks of the North Para River, Nuriootpa, Barossa Valley, South Australia. Today, this wine includes fruit from the three exceptional estate vineyards that the Ashmead family own.

Spring of 2018 brought decent rain and mild conditions through budburst and flowering. Fortunately, in 2018 little rain interrupted vintage and allowed for good ripening right into April when the Eden Valley portion of this Shiraz was harvested.

We owe the beauty of our 2018 Shiraz as much to our climate in the Barossa, and our stunning vineyards, as we do to our winemaking team. In truth, 2018 was a vintage for Shiraz that required caretaker hands from our winemaking team and little else. The vibrancy of fruit coming through in this wine speaks of its inherent freshness at harvest. Our Shiraz was fermented in a combination of open fermenters (some with heading boards) and closed fermenters which allowed us to use a little extended maceration to ensure we made the most of the tannin profile our fruit had to offer. Pressed wine was then matured in a combination of new and seasoned French and American oak, selected to complement each parcel of fruit destined for this Shiraz.

-Jules Ashmead

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WINEMAKER: Richard Langford

GRAPES: 100% Shiraz

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.4 g/L

ACIDITY: 6.3 g/L

PH: 3.58

TOTAL SULPHUR: 108 g/L



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