

Command Shiraz

2018

96 POINTS

Nick Stock | jamesuckling.com

August 2021 *A great release of Command, this carries the bold and deeply flavorful style of the vintage effortlessly, a vintage that played into the natural style of this rich Barossa Valley shiraz. There's so much to love about this wine, from the rich blackberry, red-plum and spice aromas and flavors to the silky, fine and long tannins. Floats long on the smooth finish. Drink over the next decade and more.*

95 POINTS

Tyson Stelzer | Halliday Wine Companion 2022

August 2021 *From 124yo estate vines in Nuriootpa. Matured 30 months in new American and French oak puncheons. Brooding Barossa shiraz of billowing character. Smoked mettwurst and pan juices. Spicy dark and red berries of all kinds. No small dollop of milk chocolate oak. Quintessential Barossa, replete with generous breadth and enduring length, sustained by fine-ground tannins of considerable endurance.*

GOLD MEDAL

Decanter World Wine Awards 2021

December 2021 *A savoury, red-fruited quality to the fruit with spiced plums and raspberry jam. Powerful, supercharged in the mouth, with prominent oak adding layers of depth.*

TOP 100 WINES OF AUSTRALIA 2021

James Suckling | jamesuckling.com

December 2021

96 POINTS

Joe Czerwinski | The Wine Advocate

December 2021 *Take Ancestor Vines (planted in 1894), a great vintage, experienced winemaking, add 30 months of aging in American and French oak, and the result is the stunning 2018 Command Single Vineyard Shiraz. Boasting fabulous density and concentration, this full-bodied effort is still almost embryonic in its development, with tarry, mocha, yet lifted notes accenting intense blackberry fruit; a rich, supple yet structured mouthfeel, and a long, mouthwatering finish. Once it hits its stride in a few years, it should drink well for 20 years or more.*

94/94+ POINTS

Campbell Mattinson | The Wine Front

February 2022 *Single vineyard. Vines planted in 1894. 30 months in French and American oak. Released in March 2022. For such a serious, richly-fruited wine it sure is more-ish, even in its relative youth. It all slides down with such ease. Sweet, soft plum flavours lead gently into (even) darker blackberry; coffee bean oak wedges to dark earth notes; clove notes wash through vanilla and redcurrant. It's seductive courtesy both of its style and of its substance. This is another top-grade release.*

98 POINTS

Ray Jordan | The West Australian

March 2022 *A wine that has done much to contribute to the Elderton reputation as a significant Barossa producer. The fruit comes from a single block planted in 1894. It is made in a traditional way, with 30 months in a mix of French and American oak a major part of this style. This has to be one of the best yet. Silky smooth, effortlessly long and poised, yet there is explosive Barossa fruit power. Cracking good wine.*

95 POINTS

Andrew Caillard MW and Angus Hughson | The Vintage Journal Barossa Guide 2022

November 2022 *Medium-deep crimson and a seductive wine showing a touch of development with classical dark cherry, blackberry, mocha aromas with chinotto cola complexity. Well balanced dark cherry, blackberry, liquorice and mocha flavours follow, well supported by fine graphite/chocolaty textures before finishing chalky firm and minerally long. Well suited to enjoyment over the medium term. Now–2030*