

The logo for Elderton is a stylized, handwritten-style signature of the word "Elderton" in black ink.

2018 **Barossa** Cabernet Sauvignon

History

The Ashmead family purchased their first estate vineyard in the middle of Nuriootpa in the late 1970s and since making their first wine from the 1982 vintage, have developed a great reputation and an enviable history of success. The 1992 Cabernet Sauvignon won the prestigious Jimmy Watson Memorial Trophy in 1993, showcasing Elderton's ability to make great Cabernet. Second generation brothers, Cameron and Allister, have since purchased two other exceptional vineyards in the east and west of the Barossa, with fruit from all three vineyards going into this 2018 Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon.

Vineyard Information

There are a number of blocks of Cabernet on the Elderton estate vineyards at Nuriootpa, Craneford and Greenock. Some of the best parcels from our three vineyards sites are blended to create this Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon. The grapes, which are lovingly tended to by Peter Wild and Conrad Pohlinger, are mainly harvested at Baume around 13.5 - 14.5, reached with the help of our Mediterranean climate and a long dry Autumn. A larger proportion of Eden Valley Cabernet Sauvignon has been used in this vintage blend, as the ripening conditions allowed for fuller flavours and tannin ripeness in our Craneford vineyard. This has given our 2018 Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon a lovely floral lift.

Winemaker's Comments

Winemaking in 2018 was as easy as it gets! Decent winter rains, and a spring without catastrophe, allowed for a healthy budburst and good flowering. Our Cabernet Sauvignon from 2018 brings together some leafy notes from our Greenock vineyard and backbone and structure from our Nuriootpa vineyard. The fruit from our Craneford vineyard, which enjoyed the long slow ripening in Autumn, brings structure and a lovely floral note to the wine. Aged in new and older French oak, we think this wine is a classic.

- Jules Ashmead & Brock Harrison

Style	Full bodied, rich, classy
Colour	Deep crimson purple
Aroma	Fresh varietal blackberry and wild thyme with hints of dark olive
Palate	Concentrated dark fruits and hints of clove and dark chocolate, supported by very fine elegant tannins and a seamless finish
Cellaring	Drink now or cellar confidently for 10 - 15 years from vintage



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Vineyard Source Estate grown, 50% Craneford, 30% Nuriootpa, 20% Greenock

Vine Age 18 - 75 years

Picking Date 4 - 18 April 2018

Oak Predominantly second and third fill French hogsheads and puncheons, 22 months

Alc/Vol 14.7%