

2014 Western Ridge

History

This is the third release of Western Ridge. Giving significance to the place that the wine comes from is integral to the future of the Barossa and, of course, Elderton. The hamlet of Greenock sits on the Western Ridge of the Barossa Valley. We thought it was a nice name to give to our 'reserve' Grenache blend – without mentioning the concept of 'reserve' which often struggles for meaning in a world full of marketers.

Vineyard Information

Our vineyard, located in Greenock in the west of the Barossa Valley was added to the Elderton family in 2010 and is a great addition to the portfolio. The 60 acre vineyard has plantings back to 1915 and a terroir that has been in demand by many of the Barossa's elite winemakers. Estate grown on the old Helbig vineyard; Grenache planted in 1969 and Carignan in 1915.

Winemaker's Comments

The two varieties were handpicked and placed into the crusher simultaneously. Fermentation in open 1 tonne fermenter at relatively cool temperatures to ensure the freshness of the fruit character was preserved, with intention that the wine be luscious and textural, yet be as far from the blockbuster concept as possible.

- Richard Langford

Style	Stunningly pretty and textural wine
Colour	Pale red / deep pink
Aroma & Palate	Luscious strawberries, plum and a creamy finish
Cellaring	Drink now to 10 years from vintage



Vintage Details

Vintage	2014
Region	Barossa Valley
Variety	Grenache (87%) Carignan (13%)
Maturation	Older French oak puncheons
Alc/Vol	14.5%
TA	5.7 g/L
pH	3.5