



2015 **Eden Valley** Marsanne Roussanne

Background

Marsanne and Roussanne, like Shiraz, are varieties that are native to the Northern Rhone in France. We believe that our vineyard in Craneford is the perfect place to make a textural and delicious blend that is a little bit away from the mainstream. The vines are planted on a very hilly part of our vineyard, with soils that are very marginal, meaning the vines need to work hard to survive and therefore produce very small yields of intensely flavoured fruit.

Vineyards

Our Eden Valley vineyard lies just South of the small township of Craneford, at an elevation of 420m. As like our other Eden Valley locations, the soil and climate varies quite considerably to that of the Barossa Valley floor. It is generally wetter, cooler and the soils tend to be skeletal and minerally. Aspect also varies significantly, with rolling hills and valleys providing much site variation.

The Craneford Vineyard is tended to by our own viticulturalist, Peter Wild, who ensures utmost care is taken in every step of the vine cycle.

Winemaker's View

Being a fan of these blends from the Northern Rhone, we have been wanting to showcase what our Craneford vineyard can do with these two varieties when blended and made by the team at Elderton. The 2015 season again has provided great growing conditions and resulted in great fruit. This wine has been made to show rich, ripe, rounded fruit from the Marsanne and acid and balance from the Roussanne.

- Richard Langford

Style	Rich and textural
Colour	Medium straw
Aroma	Ripe pears and honeysuckle
Palate	Textural, rich, ripe pears, rounded mid palate and spicy finish
Cellaring	Drink now to 10 years from vintage



Vintage Details

Vintage	2015
Region	Eden Valley
Variety	Marsanne and Roussanne
Maturation	Fermented in French oak, sur lie and batonnage for 6 months
Alc/Vol	13.0%
TA	5.2 g/L
pH	3.34