

news & reviews



Huon Hooke

GOLD RIBBON

2013 Neil Ashmead Grand Tourer Shiraz 95 Points
(awarded #8 of 81 2013 Barossa Valley Shiraz tasted)

SILVER RIBBON

2013 Greenock Two Shiraz Mourvedre Grenache 90 Points
2013 Greenock One Shiraz 90 Points

"I am known as a very discriminating taster who doesn't give high scores easily, and any wine that achieves a gold or silver ribbon is a wine that thoroughly deserves its rating..." Huon Hooke

new vintage release

NOW AVAILABLE - Global Public Release

2012 Command Shiraz
2013 Ashmead Cabernet Sauvignon



As mentioned in last month's Exposure the much anticipated re-release of the 2012 Command and 2013 Ashmead is here! After the disaster of a very wet 2011, where we downgraded fruit and didn't make over half the wines in our range, including Command, many have been waiting for two years for a new vintage release of Command. 2012 was an exceptional year for growing grapes and making wine. The 1894 Command Shiraz vineyard thrived as a result of the 'good' 2011 rainfall and the old vines again did us proud through the exceptional summer. Vintage 2013 was dry and quick, low yields but amazing quality. Limited fruit meant not a lot of the Ashmead was made, so early purchases are key!

We have always prided ourselves on quality and consistency over the whole Elderton range, but these two wines in particular always reach great highs and continue to grow in stature in the eyes of wine writers, reviewers, and customers alike.

COMMAND

2012 97 H. 97+ WA
2010 95 H. 95 WA
2009 94 H. 94+ WA
2008 94 H. 92 WA
2007 95 H. 95 WA

ASHMEAD

2013 97 H.
2012 95 H. 95 WA
2010 94 H. 93+ WA
2009 94 H. 93 WA
2008 96 H. 95 WA

H = Halliday, WA = Wine Advocate

wine of the month

2013 Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2013 growing season was hot and dry with low crops allowing great varietal expression. The grapes from our Estate were picked and crushed into our concrete open fermenters, having a 24-hour cold soak before inoculation. Heading down boards were utilised after two days to keep the cap submerged, making finer tannin extraction without harsh phenols. The wine was pressed to French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation and stayed there for the next 18 months, before final blending and bottling. The 2013 shows the classic Barossa Cabernet characteristics of blackberries, cassis and beetroot earthiness.

- Richard Langford

Style Full bodied, rich
Colour Deep purple
Aroma Blackberry, cassis, beetroot
Flavour Red berries, beetroot, chocolate



stock updates

- 2013 Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon - Available now
- 2013 Barossa Merlot - SOLD OUT
- 2014 Barossa Merlot - Available now
- 2013 Neil Ashmead GTS - Available now (severely limited)
- 2015 Golden Semillon - Available now

video tasting notes & trade & press

An exciting part of our new website is the addition of video tasting notes. An entertaining way to learn more about the Elderton style with winemaker Richard, Cam and Al all talking you through what to expect from the wines and help you find your favourites.

Also, do not forget to utilize our Press & Trade page for all the things you may need and download.

www.eldertonwines.com.au



vintage 2016 - a quick one

Very steady hot days over the last week has seen fruit flying into the winery. The premium quality and good quantity we are seeing means we are bound to see 2016 go down in the books as an amazing vintage.



worth a giggle??

What did the grape say when it got stepped on?
Nothing, it just let out a little wine...