

2014 **High Altitude Barossa** Shiraz

Background

Since 2001, the Ashmead family of Elderton Wines has been making small batches of red wines from Eden Valley, and has fallen in love with the differences in character from the Barossa Valley, where Elderton's Estate vineyards are located. So impressed with the beauty and structure in the wines, in 2007 Elderton acquired a vineyard on the outskirts of Craneford, which the family believes to be one of the most beautiful spots in the region, and capable of producing outstanding varietal wines.

Vineyard Locations

Our Eden Valley vineyard lies just South of the small township of Craneford. Soils, topography and climate varies quite considerably from that of the Barossa Valley floor. This vineyard sits at an average altitude of 390 - 425m above sea level, much higher than our Estate vineyard at 275m. 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 Comments

The 2014 vintage again typifies the vibrant fruit characters of the cooler Eden Valley. The palate is generous and long with medium tannins. This Shiraz was pressed straight to barrel and spent 12 months in American and French oak puncheons. This Shiraz shows aromas of blackcurrant and plum. The palate is supple, finishing with gentle tannins.

- Richard Langford

Style Medium/full-bodied, elegant

Colour Deep purple-red

Aroma Blackcurrant and plum

Flavour Black and red fruits with gentle tannins

Drink Now til 5 years from vintage





Vintage Details

Vintage 2014

Region Eden Valley

Variety Shiraz

Maturation 12 months in American & French

oak puncheons

Alc/Vol 14.5%

TA 5.4 g/L

pH 3.63