

ELDERTON

SPECIAL RELEASE

2015 Fifteen Shiraz

A single vineyard expression of Shiraz from a vineyard that turned 100 years old in 2015, and is located on the western ridge of the famous Barossa Valley. Originally planted by the Helbig family in 1915, the vineyard became a very sought after parcel for the Barossa's leading winemakers. Luckily for the Ashmead family, we were able to acquire this vineyard in late 2010, forever ending the race to get this amazing fruit.

The wine, hailing from the 2015 vintage, is a supreme example of rich and luscious Barossa Shiraz. It was hand picked, fermented in two large barrels (around 1500 litres each) and left on skins in these closed vessels for about six weeks. The wine was then pressed and spent a couple of winters in some of our favourite French oak.



DETAILS

Vineyard	Greenock, single vineyard block planted in 1915, sandy loam soil
Production	2397 bottles
Style	Massive blockbuster
Colour	Dense, dark purple
Aroma	Blackberry and blueberry with spicy cloves and cinnamon
Palate	Rich, round, spicy and intense with great length and complexity
Alc/vol	16%
Cellaring	Up to a couple of decades from vintage, given good cellaring conditions

ACCOLADES

95+ points Wine Advocate, 2017

Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the 2015 Fifteen Shiraz has a profoundly scented nose of crème de cassis, black forest cake, cedar box, Marmite, chargrill and dried mulberries with spicy touches of cinnamon stick, vanilla and cloves. Concentrated, full-bodied and packed with berry preserves and spice flavors, it has a firm backbone of rounded tannins and ample freshness, finishing long with the oak poking through slightly. A behemoth at this primary stage, it really needs some time to marry and show its nuances. Forget it in your cellar for a good 5 years and drink it over the next 20+.