# 2014 **Barossa** Shiraz

## History

The fruit for Elderton Shiraz was traditionally sourced from the Elderton vineyard situated on the banks of the North Para River, Nuriootpa, Barossa Valley, South Australia. Today, this wine includes fruit from the three exceptional estate vineyards that the Ashmead family own. Elderton was transformed from a vineyard supplying quality fruit to other wineries to a winery in its own right in 1982, and have since won much recognition for all of the wines, especially the Shiraz. Barossa Shiraz is now highly collectable worldwide, and the Elderton is always a benchmark for the region.

## Vineyard Information

There are many blocks of Shiraz on the three Elderton estate vineyards, some as old as 100 years. Some of the best parcels from each of these single sites (Nuriootpa, Greenock and Craneford) are blended to create what one can only describe as 'the perfect Barossa Shiraz'. The grapes, which are lovingly tended to by Peter Wild and his team, are mainly harvested at an optimum maturity of about 14 - 15 Baume.

## Winemaker's Comments

*The 2014 vintage was outstanding with wines ripening before sugar levels became excessive. The wines of 2014 show great intensity and suppleness.*

- Richard Langford

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| **Style** | Full bodied, rich, classic |
| **Colour** | A rich and vibrant dark purple |
| **Aroma** | Black forest fruits, chocolate, vanilla |
| **Palate** | Plum and berries, chocolate and a spice finish |
| **Cellaring** | Drink now or cellar confidently for 10 - 15 years from vintage |

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**Style:** Full bodied, rich, classic

**Vineyard Source:** Estate grown, 73% Nuriootpa, 24% Greenock, 3% Craneford

**Vine Age:** 21 - 122 years

**Picking Date:** 7 - 31 March 2014

**Oak:** Predominantly second and third fill American puncheons, 24 months

**Cellaring:** Drink now or cellar confidently for 10 - 15 years from vintage