

# OUR WINES

Spring has seen the release of some of our 2019 wines, along with new vintages of some of our loyal supporters' favourites. These new vintages sit alongside the wines we released on 1 March, so we thought we'd share a little more about each wine.

We are excited to release, in this edition of The Buzz, the 2016 Ode to

Lorraine and 2017 Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon. This is alongside recent releases that we've shared by email or in Cellar Door.

We would also like to share that 2019 was such a tiny vintage (less than 50% of our 'normal' production), so if you are interested in our 2019 wines, please stock your cellar as the wines are released so

that you do not miss out. We expect that there will be a number of months where some wines will be sold out, until the next vintage.

If you have any questions about our wines, please contact our Cellar Door team on 08 8568 7878 or by email [elderton@eldertonwines.com.au](mailto:elderton@eldertonwines.com.au).



## 2015 COMMAND SHIRAZ

Command is truly an expression of place, and we are proud to be the current custodians of a rare piece of Barossa Valley viticultural heritage. Single vineyard, planted 1894.

*...brooding, highly ageable wine...*

**95 points, Halliday Wine Companion**

*...big, bold, Barossa Shiraz.*

**94 points, The Wine Advocate**

*Smooth as silk. Rich as melted chocolate. Plums, soy, earth, five spice, mint and leathery, undergrowthy, secondary characters. Complex, developed, fresh, powerful, warm and smooth at once. An ultra-fine mesh of tannin. Sure-footed in every way.*

**94 points, Campbell Mattinson**



## 2016 ASHMEAD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

In 1997 the family sat down to discuss the viability of a 1944 Cabernet block - its saving grace was simply the pure brilliance of the fruit. It was, and is, always the standout Cabernet block on our Nuriootpa property.

*What, though, makes this wine impressive, is its sheer strut across the palate. Buxom and confident, yet dichotomously restrained...*

**96 points, Halliday Wine Companion**

*...a top-notch vintage for Barossa Cabernet...*

**94 points, The Wine Advocate**



## 2016 FIFTEEN SHIRAZ

This wine, hailing from the 2016 vintage, is a supreme example of rich and luscious Barossa Shiraz. Only 2544 bottles produced, with each bottle individually numbered and signed by Cameron and Allister Ashmead.

*The top Shiraz in the lineup is the 2016 Fifteen Shiraz... With hints of grilled meat, dark fruit and mocha notes on the long finish, this wine should age effortlessly for up to two decades.*

**97 points, The Wine Advocate**

*The intensity of fruit is so compelling on the palate with effortlessly powerful, silky and long tannins that hold the finish deep. Impressive, old-vine shiraz.*

**96 points, JamesSuckling.com**

## 2016 ODE TO LORRAINE CABERNET, SHIRAZ, MERLOT

Named in honour of Lorraine Ashmead, co-founder of Elderton, the winemaking team at Elderton believe this is truly the hidden gem of our premium reds.

*Sophisticated winemaking weaves the three varieties into a medium-bodied palate perfectly framed by oak and fine, ripe tannins.*

**95 points, Halliday Wine Companion**

## 2016 NEIL ASHMEAD GRAND TOURER SHIRAZ

A tribute to an amazing individual who was always willing to push the boundaries of expectations.

*...very attractive and the quality is very evident.* **95 points, Huon Hooke**

*The flavours are strongly regional... Salacious, but delicious!*

**94 points, Halliday Wine Companion**

## 2017 WESTERN RIDGE SHIRAZ

*\*Special Release\** Available through Cellar Door or our online shop only.

*...flamboyant, oaky aromas of vanilla, patisserie and baking spices, but there's also plenty of raspberry and mulberry fruit... finishes with attractively soft, dusty tannins and terrific length.*

**94 points, The Wine Advocate**





**2017 WESTERN RIDGE**

**GRENACHE CARIGNAN**

*Truth be told it's a beautiful wine. Ever so fragrant, ever so tasty...*

**93+ points, Campbell Mattinson**

*Grenache's bumptious hedonism is ably tamed by carignan's bristling acidity and sinew. This is no exception.*

**95 points, Halliday Wine Companion**

**2017 BAROSSA SHIRAZ**

*You get what you come for. Blackberried fruit flavour, coffee-cream oak, whispers of earth and a sound, satisfying finish. It's dark and bold... Reliable as ever.*

**92 points, Campbell Mattinson**

*It's medium to full-bodied, lush and creamy on the palate, with soft, dusty tannins on the finish.*

**91 points, The Wine Advocate**

**2017 BAROSSA CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

*The mint-accented, medium to full-bodied 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of Nuri and Greenock fruit. Aged in French oak, it's a quieter, less flamboyant wine than the Shiraz, with cassis, cedar and mint notes lingering on the soft, elegant finish.*

**90 points, The Wine Advocate**

**2018 BAROSSA MERLOT**

The 2018 vintage shows how superb Australian Merlot can be, showing a vibrancy and juiciness. It is cool fermented and has retained its fruit forward flavours.

**2018 BAROSSA GSM**

We were very proud of this wine's older sibling - the 2017 GSM - winning Gold at the Barossa Wine Show last year. It quickly sold out, so get in quick on this beauty!

**2019 BAROSSA ROSÉ**

It is hard to argue that the world isn't going through a Rosé revolution at present - perfect for backyard barbecues through to fine dining restaurants, this is a sophisticated dry Rosé that has been wonderfully crafted to enjoy in any setting.

**2019 EDEN VALLEY RIESLING**

A stunning wine from a tiny vintage, recently awarded Gold at the Barossa Wine Show. With aromas of enticing white florals and fresh lime leading to a delicious palate featuring fresh lemon zest and lime juice, with savoury nuances.

**2017 EDEN VALLEY CHARDONNAY**

*Well flavoured and formed. It moves through the mouth with some seduction. Stonefruit and melon, nuts and cedarwood. Creaminess to the texture though it remains lively. Mouthful of flavour. Musky vanilla note to the aftertaste.*

**90 points, Campbell Mattinson**

**2018 BAROSSA SEMILLON**

2018 gave us good conditions to make this very small batch wine, which we have made using traditional Barossan techniques. We are working to protect and promote the history and traditions of this amazing Barossa varietal which has a very long and proud history in the Barossa Valley.

**2019 GOLDEN SEMILLON**

With a stellar history including gongs at the 2012 South Australian Wine of the Year Awards and 2016 Best Sweet Wine at the Barossa Wine Show, this wine flies out of Cellar Door. 20-34 year old Semillon vines were cordon cut and the fruit allowed to desiccate for 3 weeks on the vine, before hand-picking. With a palate of dried pear and apricot marmalade and a balanced acid finish, this is the perfect end to a meal - match with blue cheese or simply use as a topping on some Barossa Valley Ice Cream Company vanilla icecream!