

## 2022 Barossa Valley Golden Semillon

## **History**

Elderton has a proud history of producing great dessert wines and we are extremely excited to now continue this journey with the ninth vintage produced with fruit from our own Greenock vineyard. This wine continues to be very popular, especially with visitors to Cellar Door. Our Golden Semillon is not produced every year - only when vintage conditions are considered favourable for a later harvest of our Semillon, allowing the development of the unique characters required in this luscious style.

## **Vineyard Information**

Our vineyard, located in Greenock in the west of the Barossa Valley was added to the Elderton family in 2010 and is a great addition to the portfolio. The 60 acre vineyard has plantings back to 1915 and a terroir that has been in demand by many of the Barossa's elite winemakers. The vines were cordon cut and the fruit allowed to desiccate for weeks on the vine.

Vineyard Source 100% Estate Grown, Greenock

Vine Age 23 - 37 years

Picking Date 13 April 2022

## **Winemakers' Comments**

Our Golden Semillon comes from 1985 and 1999 plantings of Semillon. We cane cut portions of the two blocks at full flavour ripeness to enhance sugar concentration, whilst holding onto some natural acid in the resultant bunches. The fruit was then left to hang on the vine, concentrating flavours in the mild autumn weather. The fruit was hand harvested in mid-April and pressed slowly to ensure full extraction of flavour from the skins. Fermentation was stopped at a point where alcohol, sweetness and acid were all in balance. Filtration and immediate bottling has ensured the fresh fruit flavours are captured in this wine.

- Jules Ashmead and Brock Harrison

**Style** Rich, luscious, balanced

**Colour** Luminescent straw

**Aroma & Palate** Apricots, toffee, honey and citrus/marmalade

**Cellaring** Drink now or allow to develop over the next 5 - 10 years

Residual sugar 140g/L

Alc/vol 11.0%





