

BAROSSA

2019 COMMAND SINGLE VINEYARD SHIRAZ

The Elderton Command Shiraz is truly one of Australia's best and most highly regarded icon wines, sourced from a single vineyard planted over 125 years ago, in 1894. This wine has established an enviable reputation since the first vintage in 1984. The Command is truly an expression of place, and one of which the family intends to preserve for generations to come.

Allister Ashmead notes, *"This vineyard sits on great dirt and just knows how to produce fruit at the highest level. The Command Shiraz is certainly a wine that the Ashmead family is immensely proud of."*

There is very limited stock available of the 2019 Command Shiraz, due to seasonal conditions in late 2018.

Of the 2019 vintage, Allister commented, *"Over the four decades that we have farmed this block of 1894-planted Shiraz, we have seen wet and dry seasons, cool and hot years, big winds and hail. But until 2019 we had never experienced catastrophic frost... yields were around 80% lower than what we would normally expect. Whilst not a lot of wine was made in 2019, we are immensely proud of how the vineyard was able to recompose itself and produce such a fine wine from a tough start to the year."*



98 POINTS - THE VINTAGE JOURNAL BAROSSA GUIDE 2023 BY ANDREW CAILLARD MW AND ANGUS HUGHSON

Beautifully balanced wine with intense roasted chestnut, marzipan, dark chocolate, blackberry aromas and flavours, persistent fine chocolaty tannins, lovely mid-palate volume, a hint of aniseed and well-integrated acidity. Finishes chocolaty firm with a lovely tannin plume, long sweet fruit notes. An exceptionally expressive wine with all the hallmarks of a great Barossa Shiraz.

96 POINTS - DAVE BROOKES, HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION 2023

Rich and commanding as always, with intense dark plum, blackberry and black cherry fruits, fruitcake spice, black strap licorice, high-cocoa dark chocolate, cedar and roasting meats. Full bodied and pure with superb fruit depth, superfine gypsum-like tannins and a concentrated and balanced finish that lingers admirably.

95 POINTS - ERIN LARKIN, THE WINE ADVOCATE

This 2019 Command Single Vineyard Shiraz is hugely concentrated, coiled and long... The fruit has such intensity that a couple more years isn't going to bother it in the least. By "a couple more years," I am of course meaning 10 or 15 plus.

COMMAND SHIRAZ ACCOLADES

Excellent - Langton's Classification of Australian Wine VII, VI, V, IV

Top 12 Most Collectible Old Vine Shiraz - Decanter 2014

Top 100 Australian Wines - Matthew Jukes 2014, 2009

Top 100 Wines in the World - Wine Spectator 2004, 2000

Best Shiraz in the World Trophy - London International Wine and Spirit Comp 2000

World's Top 80 Wines - Robert Parker