



# ELDERTON WINES Barossa Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

**Country**

Australia

**Region**

Barossa Valley

**Varietal Blend**

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**Winemaker**

Jules Ashmead & Brock Harrison

**Alcohol Content**

14.7%

**Total Acidity**

6.4 g/L

**Total Sulphur**

89 Mg/L

**Residual Sugar**

0.7 g/L

**pH**

3.55

**HISTORY**

Elderton Wines is a small, family-owned winery, situated in the heart of Australia's Barossa Valley. Their vineyards were first planted in 1894 by early German settlers and in 1979 the Ashmead family purchased the property and has since worked tirelessly to salvage and restore their treasured vineyards. Elderton shot to world acclaim after producing some of Australia's most highly regarded Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon wines. Today, the vision of the founders shines through, and Elderton is celebrated as a major reason for the rejuvenation of the Barossa. The winery is currently helmed by the second generation of the Elderton family, brothers Cameron and Allister, with Cameron's wife Jules Ashmead heading the winemaking team.

**VITICULTURE and VINIFICATION**

Prior to the vintage, Elderton replanted certain blocks within the Nuriootpa vineyard, resulting in the removal of a small block; the two main blocks remain. The season allowed for decent ripening and flavor for the Eden Valley fruit, giving freshness and balance to an otherwise very structured wine, given the dry season and low yields experienced. A very small volume of the 1960s-planted Greenock fruit in this blend. Each of Elderton's estate vineyards ripen differently owing to their varying aspects, elevation and soil types. Also added is a parcel of fruit from a neighboring vineyard to complement the small 2020 yields. Aged predominantly in older French puncheons for 23 months.

**TASTING NOTES**

Ripe red berry fruits come to the fore in this wine, which balanced with a velvety chocolate note on the palate and a long structured finish of red fruit laced with oak and the persistence of supple tannins.

**ACCOLADES**

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James Suckling, 2022

