

Elderton Barossa
Ashmead Single Vineyard
Cabernet Sauvignon
Vintage 2000

THE WINE

100% Old Vine Barossa Valley
Cabernet Sauvignon

Colour: Deep Purple

Nose: Complex nose of ripe blackberries
and cedary oak.

Palate: An explosion of dark chocolate,
blackberries and long silky tannins

Oak: 100% French Oak Puncheons
(32 months) - raked 3 times.

Alcohol: 13.5% Alc/Vol

Production: 300 cases

Ageing: 5-15 years



HISTORY

Like the Command block, which is an amazing resource to the Elderton Estate, the Ashmead block has consistently produced small parcels of excellent quality fruit. Traditionally the finished wine has been blended into the Estate Range of wines, however, in 1998 Lorraine Ashmead, the Estate Principal, saw the brilliance of the wine, and decided to release it under the Ashmead Family name. The 2000 is the third release of this exciting wine. The wine is a superior example of Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon aged in a mix of new and then old French Oak Puncheons. The Elderton Estate is not unfamiliar with premium Cabernets, having won 4 trophies for this varietal including the 1993 Jimmy Watson Trophy. The wine is intensely flavoured with excellent balance and is structured for long-term maturation.

VINEYARD BLOCK DATA

*Variety: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Clone: Unknown, own roots (most likely G9V3)
Age: Planted 1944 (59 years old)
Soil: Deep alluvial silt over limestone
Rainfall: Average - 501.8mm, 2000 – 527.8
Spacing: Vine spacing 1.5m, Row Width 3m East to West Row Direction
Trellis: Have been reworked to double wire vertical (from single)
Yield: 2-3 tonnes per Hectare*

ACCOLADES to date

★★★★★ *Winestate Magazine, March/April 2004*
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International Wine Challenge, 2004 SILVER
International Wine & Spirit Competition, 2004 SILVER
Melbourne Wine Show 2001 BRONZE
International Wine & Spirit Competition 2002 BRONZE
Royal Perth Wine Show 2003 BRONZE
Barossa Wine Show 2003 BRONZE