

# Elderton Barossa

## Ashmead Single Vineyard

### Cabernet Sauvignon

#### Vintage 2004

#### THE WINE

100% Old Vine Barossa Valley  
Cabernet Sauvignon

- Colour:** Deep Purple/ Black
- Nose:** Sweetly perfumed aromas of blackberry, candid plum, vanilla and oak spices
- Palate:** Concentrated and lush, showing dense dark berry fruit and suave baking spice accents. It boasts excellent precision, depth and harmony.
- Oak:** French oak Hogsheads (20 months) - racked twice.
- Alcohol:** 14.5% Alc/Vol
- Ageing:** 5-20 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 2004 is the sixth release of this exciting wine, and follows on from the 2002 vintage – It was decided the 2003 did not come up to quality expectations and was thus blended down through the Estate Cabernet. The wine is a superior example of Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon aged in a mix of new French Oak Hogsheads from many different coopers. The Elderton Estate is not unfamiliar with premium Cabernets, having won 8 trophies for this varietal including the 1993 Jimmy Watson Trophy. We, at Elderton, believe this vintage will be as heavily sought after as the inaugural 1998 vintage by wine lovers and collectors alike.*

#### **VINEYARD BLOCK DATA**

*Variety: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon  
Clone: Unknown, own roots (most likely G9V3)  
Age: Planted 1944 (Now over 60 years old)  
Soil: Deep alluvial silt over red and brown earths and limestone  
Rainfall: Average - 501.8mm,  
Spacing: Vine spacing 1.5m, Row Width 3m East to West Row Direction  
Trellis: Have been reworked to double wire vertical (from single)  
Yield: 1-2 tonnes per Hectare*

#### **ACCOLADES**

*2006 New Zealand Liquor Land Top 100  
Winestate Magazine Nov/Dec 2006  
Brisbane Wine Show 2006  
San Francisco Wine Competition 2006  
Robert Parker 2006*

*SILVER  
★★★★★ Stars  
TOP GOLD  
GOLD  
91 points*