

# ELDERTON E SERIES CHARDONNAY 2019/\$16.99



**DESCRIPTION** 

The vineyard was first planted on the banks of the North Para River in Nuriootpa in 1894 by early German settlers, the Scholz family. In 1916, it was purchased by Samuel Elderton Tolley who named the Estate 'Elderton'. He built himself a sprawling homestead on the Estate and sold the fruit to his family's winery. It was run successfully for many years but became derelict in the early years of the vine pull (circa 1975).

"If you buy the house, I will give you the surrounding 72 acres of old vines for nothing". This was the proposal offered to Lorraine and Neil Ashmead in 1980. The rambling old homestead looked ideal for a growing family and the Ashmead's worked tirelessly to salvage and restore the phenomenal treasure of a vineyard.

In 1982 the first wine was made under the Elderton Label. Tough times prevailed, but ultimately the vision of the founders shone through and Elderton is today celebrated as a major reason for the rejuvenation of the Barossa Valley. In 1993 Elderton shot to national prominence after winning the Jimmy Watson Trophy.

International success ensued. The wines of the Elderton Nuriootpa vineyard are enjoyed globally for their richness, vibrancy, and uniqueness. They are celebrated for being traditional examples of the best of the Barossa's wines.

The second generation took the reins of the business in 2003. Brothers Cameron and Allister believe very strongly in continuing the traditions that began a generation earlier, on the Nuriootpa vineyard. Wanting to take the family company to the next level, they together devised a plan to buy great vineyards in other significant sub appellations of the Barossa.

In 2007 a great little vineyard in Craneford (Eden Valley) was purchased and this was followed in 2010 by the purchase of a vineyard on the northeast corner of Greenock. In 2023, the family purchased a fourth vineyard at Mengler Hill.

Elderton is a true family affair. Cameron and Jules have three sons, and Allister and Rebecca have three daughters. Rebecca is the Export Manager and looks after all the bottlings. In 2019, Julie became Head of Production overseeing both viticulture and winemaking at Elderton. Through using sustainable practices, the hope is that the next generation of the Ashmead family have a lot to work with when they are at the helm.

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Elderton has a proud history of success in the Barossa. These wines enhance and reflect what the Ashmead family are about; premium quality wines with a real sense of their roots in the Barossa and its surrounds. The E Series wines are designed to be affordable everyday drinking made with exceptional quality. Whilst made from premium fruit and receiving quality winemaking, these wines will always be priced to offer exceptional value for money.

# **Tasting Notes**

#### Nose:

Aromas of peach, melon, and mango.

### Palate:

Elderton E Series Chardonnay is a medium bodied, crisp, subtle wine. Medium straw, light gold color. A deliciously rich, balanced and uncomplicated Chardonnay.

## **Pairing:**

This wine pairs well with fish, seafood, salads, chicken, pork, and creamy pastas.

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