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2012 ELIGO SHIRAZ

REVIEWS

97+ points, Lisa Perotti- Brown, The Wine Advocate, June 2015

Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the 2012 Eligo has a profoundly scented nose of crème de cassis, blackberry pie, liquorice, dark chocolate and blueberry preserves against an earthy/meaty background of bacon fat, forest floor, beef dripping and black loam. The densely packed, full-bodied palate manages almost paradoxical elegance and restraint with velvety tannins and lively acid giving closure to the long, multi layered finish.

96 points, Tim White, The Australian Financial Review

Fragrant, dark fruitcake, iron oxide smelling: black as a pitch. Gets woody humus and tar with air: Sparkling and glistening fruits. Massive depth on the tongue, really floods the mouth: tarry, sweet-soy, emphatic old-school Barossa Valley. This will live for decades.

96 points, James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion 2016

It's deceptive how firm and well scaffolded this wine is. It's a flood of rich, ripe, dark-hearted fruit, all blackberry and anise, peppercorn and coffee and it feels so fluid that at first you barely notice the tannin at all. It's only on close investigation (all in the line of duty) that you start to notice the strings. It can be consumed now or much later; it will take either option in its stride.

95 points, Huon Hooke, www.huonhooke.com, July 2015

Deep red colour with a tinge of purple; there are very ripe blackberry aromas with traces of anise and spices and dried herbs. It's deep and fleshy but elegant on palate, lightly grippy, with pleasing softness in the middle. The aftertaste is balanced and clean with a positive tannin grip. It's just a baby at this stage: already drinking beautifully, but with decades ahead of it. Superb Shiraz.

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