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Eligo

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2012 JOHN DUVAL ELIGO SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER: John Duval
REGION: Barossa and Eden Valleys, South Australia
VARIETALS: Shiraz
MATURATION: 20 months in 100% French oak (75% new)
ANALYSIS: 14.5% alc/vol | TA: 6.7 g/L | pH: 3.44

ELIGO: To choose or select, a selection of the very best; “best of vintage”

VINTAGE:

A warmer spring and cooler summer summarized the 2012 vintage conditions. Vine health was very good coming out of spring and this combined with a mild summer and only three rain events over three months during vintage, has resulted in some excellent wines being produced. Yields were generally slightly below average.

WINEMAKING:

Eligo epitomizes Duval’s unparalleled knowledge of Barossa’s terroir and fruit. Traditional, low-intervention winemaking techniques ensure that this flagship wine is full of finesse and character. Submerged-cap fermentation takes place in small, stainless steel fermenters with a small portion undergoing extended maceration for up to two weeks to maximize color and flavor extraction.

TASTING NOTES:

The nose is youthful and expressive with notes of blackberry and blueberry and with hints of earth and charcuterie. The palate is intense yet still restrained and shows an elegant expression of dark fruit with layers of berry, spice and smoked meat flavors. The wine is generous and long with excellent texture and a harmonious structure. Eligo will age well for at least fifteen years under proper cellaring conditions.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

97+ pts The Wine Advocate, 96 pts Australian Wine Companion

ABOUT JOHN DUVAL WINES:

John Duval is one of Australia’s most highly-regarded winemakers. As Chief Winemaker and custodian of Australia’s famous Grange, he was instrumental in establishing Penfolds as one of the world’s great wineries. Inspired by the Barossa Valley’s old vine vineyards, Duval established his own label in 2002 and now crafts intense, focused wines that are as distinctive as the region’s diverse terroir.



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