



2009 JOHN DUVAL WINES ELIGO

Review Summary



96 pts “Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2009 Eligo Shiraz has pronounced creme de cassis, blueberry preserves and warm mulberry notes with an undercurrent of cedar, lavender, chocolate box, Indian spices and cardamom. Medium to full-bodied and tightly-knit on the palate, it has a vibrant acid line cutting through the dense fruit layers and medium-firm, grainy tannins to support a long and spicy finish.”

Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
February 2013

94 pts “Eligo is winemaker John Duval’s luxury Shiraz, drawn from selected Barossa parcels. The 2009 is a dark, tarry Shiraz, heavy on the savory elements of black olives and dark chocolate and buttressed by ample cassis-tinged fruit. It’s full bodied and firm, with a long, finely textured finish. Drink now–2025.”

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
February 2014

94 pts “This is the very essence of old vine Barossa shiraz, made with generosity and warmth as a core value; masses of sweet black fruits, bitter chocolate, graphite tannins and toasty oak combine to deliver a silky mouthful of tannins and plenty of warmth of alcohol; concentration kept in check, and exceptionally long.”

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion
2013

94 pts “Opaque purple. An exciting bouquet of black and blue fruit preserves, violet, mocha and Indian spices. Juicy boysenberry and mulberry flavors show great depth and energy, with a late note of cracked pepper adding bite. Finishes spicy and very long, with lingering florality and gentle tannic grip. The marriage of power and verve here is striking. A good chunk of this fruit was grown in the cool, high-altitude Eden Valley, a sector of the Barossa that also produces excellent Riesling, which no doubt contributes to this wine's vivacity.”

Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
July/August 2012



93 pts “Lots of ripe fruit with spices, meat and berry character. Earthy and barnyard undertones. Full body, silky tannins and a fruity finish. Lovely texture. Sexy, smooth and decadent.”

Nick Stock, JamesSuckling.com
May 20, 2014

93 pts “Focused, expressive, dark and brooding, with plum, black cherry and subtle spice notes that show a touch of leather as the finish presses on against a veil of fine tannins. Features depth and deftness.”

Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator
June 30, 2013

