

2019 JOHN DUVAL WINES ELIGO SHIRAZ



Review Summary

96 pts "The 2019 vintage was the first in two consecutive drought years in the Barossa, and the wines are unsurprisingly concentrated and brooding. In this 2019 Eligo Shiraz, we see lashings of exotic spice, aniseed, licorice and resinous char contained within a framework of fine, silty tannins. This is a big wine, make no mistake, but eminently balanced."

Erin Larkin Robert Parker Wine Advocate September 2022

95 pts/Highly Recommended "This stunner is richly layered with blackberry, blueberry and dark chocolate flavors up front, backed by notes of spices including clove, cardamom and star anise. The tannins are velvety and plush, while the details of palo santo, espresso and blueberry syrup linger on the long finish. Syrah. Drink now through 2038."

MaryAnn Worobiec Wine Spectator June 2, 2025

95 pts "Deep crimson. Intense black cherry, dark plum, vanilla aromas with marzipan notes. Richly concentrated wine with deep set black cherry, blackberry fruits, vanilla wax polish notes, fine gravelly al dente tannins. Acidity a touch pronounced but should settle down with time."

Andrew Caillard MW
The Wine Pilot/The Vintage Journal Barossa Guide
May 2023

95 pts "Tremendously concentrated color, deep, dark and brooding, and it stains the glass. Black pepper, iodine and spice aromas. The wine is very full bodied, massively structured and powerful, the tannins grippy but balanced. It's a wine that begs to be cellared and will surely repay long keeping. A whopper, but it doesn't overplay its hand. Oak and extraction have been superbly handled."

Huon Hooke The Real Review May 2022



94 pts "The bold and expressive Shiraz Eligo, blended from Barossa Valley and Eden Valley fruit, is rich yet finely balanced with its chocolate and blackberry aromas lifted by black tea and cocoa tones. It's pretty muscular in texture, with licorice and Christmas cake flavors supported by strong, drying tannins, which draw out the finish. There's excellent aging potential here."

Angus Hughson Vinous August 2024

94 pts "Ripe blueberries, mint chocolate, hazelnuts, nutmeg and mocha on the nose. Full-bodied, polished and complex, with swathes of ripe blue and black fruit and sweet spices wrapped up in velvety tannins. Long. Drink or Hold"

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