



THE ISLANDER
estate vineyards



2021 BARK HUT ROAD CABERNET FRANC/SHIRAZ

The Islander Estate Vineyards produces elegant French styled wines handcrafted in Australia's most remote & surprising wine region - Kangaroo Island.

THE ESTATE RANGE

Our premium range, blending the best of Kangaroo Island's cool growing conditions with European handcrafting & winemaking techniques. Honouring the region's Soldier Settlers heritage, sharing their belief that hard work & tenacity leads to great rewards.

THE NAME

The Islander Estate Vineyards is located on Bark Hut Road, Kangaroo Island. This was one of the first sites for Soldier Settler camps, where returning servicemen & their families lived for up to a decade while awaiting their land allocation. These people worked incredibly hard & showed remarkable persistence in helping Kangaroo Island become the agricultural heartland that it is today.

VARIETY	Shiraz / Cabernet Franc
COLOUR	Vibrant Red
NOSE	Vanilla, plums, violets, capsicum & spice with hints of French oak
PALATE	Soft texture with a round, medium-body. Flows through the mouth until the the fine tannins come to crisp edge.
FINISH	Firmly structured with natural acidity & sweet tannins. The finish is long & dry.
FOOD PAIRING	Steak cooked medium-rare (or however you like it) is the perfect match for this wine.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The Cabernet Franc & Shiraz were picked, processed & fermented separately, with hand sorting and wild yeast ferment. During ferment the juice was pumped over twice daily with the cap of grapes manually plunged. With a total of 5-6 weeks of skin contact, the wine underwent malolactic fermentation in barrel, a process by which the wine becomes softer in the mouth. After basket pressing, each variety was aged separately for 12 months in a mix of new & seasoned French oak barrels before the best barrels were chosen for the final blend.

CELLARING	Delicious now or cellar for 6-8 years
REVIEWS	Not yet rated.
TECHNICAL	Alcohol : 14.5% Vol. Total Acidity : 5.6g/L pH : 3.63

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