

## The Islander Estate Vineyards Old Rowley 2006

Kangaroo Island, South Australia

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Frenchman Jacque Lurton grows and makes his grenache, shiraz, viognier blend on an 11 ha vineyard, planted on Kangaroo Island in 2000. It's a surprisingly fine, elegant and savoury wine, given the blend – so often in Australia grenache tends to a musky, even confectionary character; and the white viognier can be intensely apricot-like and oily textured. Instead we have a lighter coloured red, of light to medium body with a lean, savoury, spicy palate and persistent, fine, tannic finish.



Review of Old Rowley 2006 by Chris Shanahan Food and Wine Magazine Canberra Times

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