



THE ISLANDER  
*estate vineyards*



## 2016 BARK HUT RD RESERVE SHIRAZ/CABERNET FRANC

*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 hand-crafting and winemaking techniques. Honouring the region's Soldier Settlers heritage, sharing their belief that hard work and 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 and their families lived for up to a decade while awaiting their land allocation. These people worked incredibly hard and showed remarkable persistence in helping Kangaroo Island become the agricultural heartland that it is today.

### VARIETY

Shiraz / Cabernet Franc

### COLOUR

Deep Red

### NOSE

Eucalyptus, spices, pepper, dark berries with hints of vanilla and toasted French oak

### PALATE

Full bodied and structured, yet soft and elegant. Flows evenly through the mouth with depth across the palate

### FINISH

With natural acidity and fine tannins, the finish is long, lingering in the mouth before drawing you back for another taste

### FOOD PAIRING

Slow roasted beef rib or shoulder of lamb

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Grapes were hand-picked, processed and fermented separately in 630L French Oak demi muids. The core process involved hand sorting and wild yeast ferment. During ferment the barrels were rolled multiple times daily to ensure a full immersion of juice in the skins. With a total of 5 weeks of skin contact, the wine underwent malolactic before basket pressing. Each variety was aged separately for 24 months in a mix of new and old demi muid barrels before the best barrels were chosen for the final blend – using equal portions of Shiraz and Cab Franc.

### CELLARING

Delicious now or cellar for 6-8 years

### REVIEWS

Not yet rated

### TECHNICAL

Alcohol : 13.5% Vol.  
Total Acidity : 4.4g/L  
pH : 3.76



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