



THE ISLANDER
estate vineyards



2022 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 blends the best of Kangaroo Island's cool growing conditions with European handcrafting and winemaking techniques. It honours the region's Soldier Settlers heritage, sharing their belief that hard work and tenacity lead to great rewards.

THE NAME

The Islander Estate Vineyards is located on Bark Hut Road, Kangaroo Island. This was one of the first Soldier Settler campsites, where returning servicemen and their families lived for up to a decade while awaiting their land allocation. They worked incredibly hard and 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 and spice with hints of French oak.
PALATE	A textured, medium-body with blackberry and sarsaparilla notes in the dark fruit spectrum, vanilla and coconut oak.
FINISH	Firmly structured with natural acidity and sweet tannins. The finish is long and 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 and Shiraz were picked, processed and fermented separately, with hand sorting and wild yeast ferment. During ferment the juice was pumped over twice daily with the cap manually plunged. With a total of 5-6 weeks of skin contact, the wine underwent malolactic fermentation in the barrel. After basket pressing, each variety was aged separately for 12 months in a mix of new and 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 : 14.0% Vol. Total Acidity : 5.6g/L pH : 3.68

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