

BAROSSA VALLEY  
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WINEMAKERS

# 2003 E&E Black Pepper Shiraz



## Background Information

Each year, from a selection of more than 80 growers that make up the Co-operative, B.V.E carefully hand picks only the finest Shiraz grapes for the renowned E&E Black Pepper Shiraz. The succulent fruit is predominantly chosen from the most mature, dry grown Shiraz vines from the Northerly aspect of the valley. These vines, cultivated only using the utmost of care, are low cropping, producing small berries providing intensely concentrated flavours and unique character.

## Tasting Notes

A deep, dark, blood red with purple hues in the glass, the 2003 E&E Black Pepper Shiraz exudes aromas of dark chocolate, cherry blossom, black cherry and tar. Also on the nose; lifted cherry, leather and oak. The palate affirms the nose with a rich and ripe, full bodied mouthfeel that lingers persistently.

## Winemaker's Notes

Made from 100% Shiraz this wine, sourced from low-cropping Barossa vineyards, spent 18 months in 50% American, 50% French oak 30% of which was new.

The superb quality and perfection of this Barossa icon is indicative of the intimate working relationship between winemaker and grower. Maximum flavour retention and complexity have been achieved through meticulous attention to detail with each individual process.

The 2002 E&E Black Pepper Shiraz further reinforces the Barossa Valley Estate reputation of delivering world class Shiraz.

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**Vintage** 2003

**Growing Areas**  
Barossa Valley

**Grape Variety**  
Shiraz

**Winemaker**  
Stuart Bourne

**Food suggestion:**  
Enjoy this robust shiraz with strongly flavoured cheese or full-flavoured red meat dishes.

**Alcohol** 15.0%

**Residual Sugar**  
2.8 g/litre

**pH** 3.40

**Acidity**  
7.0 grams/litre

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