

BAROSSA VALLEY AND EDEN VALLEY COMPARISON

REGION	BAROSSA VALLEY	EDEN VALLEY
Coordinates	34° 29' S	34° 35' S
Altitude	112 – 597m (367 – 1,958 feet) (53% <280m)	217 – 630m (711 – 2,066 feet) (99% >280m)
Climate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warmer, drier climate • Heat degree days Oct-Apr – 1,710 • Rainfall Oct – Apr 160mm (6.3 inches) • Mean January temperature – 21.4°C (70°F) • Relative humidity Oct – Apr, 3pm Average 39% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wetter, cooler climate • Heat degree days Oct-Apr – 1,390 • Rainfall Oct – Apr 280mm (11 inches) • Mean January temperature 19.4°C (67°F) • Relative humidity Oct – Apr, 3pm Average 44%
Temperature / Ripening	<p>Warm, dry days, cool nights.</p> <p>Plenty of sunshine, with cool nights ensuring consistent ripening, but not too quickly.</p>	<p>Daytime 2 – 3°C cooler than BV. Night time temperatures 5 – 7°C cooler.</p> <p>Slower ripening, cool climate flavours, greater retention of acidity.</p>
Soil	Deep, rich soils.	Shallow, rocky soils.
Viticulture	Vineyards on shallow soils require irrigation, whereas many old vineyards, or those on deeper soils are dry grown.	Many vineyards require irrigation due to poor soil fertility and water retention.
Harvest	Mid-February – late April.	Mid-March – April/early May.
Top 5 Varieties Planted	Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Grenache, Semillon, Chardonnay.	Shiraz, Riesling, Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Merlot.
Shiraz Tasting Descriptors	<p>Style: Full-bodied, opulent, rich, robust.</p> <p>Colour: Deep purple-red.</p> <p>Aroma: Blue and black fruits (dark cherry, fruitcake, plum, blackberry, mulberry, black olives) spice, chocolate, licorice.</p> <p>Shape & Texture: Round and velvety.</p> <p>Firm tannins (chalky, grainy) moderately to strongly puckering and drying.</p>	<p>Style: Medium- to full-bodied, vibrant, elegant.</p> <p>Colour: Vibrant red.</p> <p>Aroma: Mainly red and blue fruits (red and black cherry, raspberry, blueberry, plum), violets, sage, pepper.</p> <p>Shape & Texture: Linear to oval, silky, savoury. Fine tannins (dusty, powdery) moderately puckering and moderately to strongly drying.</p>

