

SEMILLON 2021

TASTING NOTES

Eyes closed, you'll imagine freshly baked scones, topped with melted butter and marmalade. The rich, creamy, gorgeous mouth feel is enhanced by yellow hay, orange peel & dried apricots. Excellent with wok fried prawns in a lemon butter sauce on a bed of risotto.

WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

After a short, cold winter and an early, warm spring the 2021 harvest arrived three weeks earlier than normal.

The annual south westerly winds during November and December played a crucial role in managing our yields, keeping the bunches healthy and promoting concentration of flavours.

The Semillon grapes were left on the vine as long as possible to achieve full ripeness that gives the wine the distinctive flavour. As with Sauvignon blanc, a reductive approach is taken, using dry ice to limit the juice and wine's exposure to oxygen ensuring the retention of the volatile flavour compounds.

After settling, 70% of the juice was fermented in 80% new French oak barrels. The wine was fermented cold in order to achieve the longest possible fermentation and loss of flavours. After fermentation the wine was left on the lees for six months with regular battonage that resulted in a full and rich wine.

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.47%
Residual Sugar: 2.9g/L
Total Acidity: 5.4g/L
pH: 3.63

VITICULTURAL DETAILS

Cultivar: 100% Semillon
Vintage: 2021
Annual Production: 4400 bottles

