



Yabby Lake Vineyard  
Mornington Peninsula

## 2015 Yabby Lake Single Vineyard Chardonnay

*Our philosophy is to craft single vineyard wines of great purity and character, reflective of our site and the season in which it was grown. It's the attention and care in the vineyard that is most critical to allowing this expression.*

### 2014/2015 Growing Season

Winter of 2014 was colder and drier than normal leading to a warm, dry spring that saw good even bud break and consistent healthy shoot growth. A cooler than average summer coupled with good rain at the right times saw consistent, healthy growth in all blocks. The season proceeded in a very even and pleasing fashion. A very cool dry March led to a longer ripening period allowing for maximum flavour development with good rain occurring at the right time to maintain vine health. Harvest started on 18 February and the 2015 vintage proceeded exceptionally well. With the ripening period so even, all fruit was picked in optimum condition. All the fruit arrived at the winery in excellent condition with excellent fruit flavours and terrific natural acidity. Early indications are that the 2015 vintage will be as good as the highly regarded 2010 and 2012 vintages.



<b>Region</b>	Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula
<b>Alc</b>	12.5%
<b>Clones</b>	40% Mendoza (Blocks 1 & 6), 40% P58 (Block 1), 20% B76 (Block 4)
<b>Soil</b>	Sandy Clay Loam with iron shot stone and light medium clay
<b>Winemaker</b>	Tom Carson
<b>Viticulturist</b>	Keith Harris

### Winemaking

Each parcel of chardonnay was carefully handpicked on 28 February (Blocks 1 & 4) and 3 March (Block 6), in pristine condition. Every parcel was handled separately in the winery, with minimal intervention. The chardonnay was crushed, pressed and transferred with solids, into tight grain 500L French oak puncheons (20% new) to undergo natural fermentation. It was then left to mature on lees for 11 months, without malolactic fermentation proceeding until bottling in Feb 2016.

### Tasting note

A pristine, pure and intense aroma with classic notes of citrus blossom and grapefruit pith. The palate is fine and complex, with great poise and concentration of flavour. Tightly wound together with a precise minerality, the wine has beautiful line and length.