



Yabby Lake Vineyard
Mornington Peninsula

2015 Yabby Lake Single Vineyard Syrah

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.



Region	Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula
Blocks	2 (45%) & 3 (55%)
Alc	14%
Clones	BVRC12 (25%) PT23 (75%)
Soil	Sandy loam over Callabonna clay
Winemaker	Tom Carson
Viticulturist	Keith Harris

Winemaking

The fruit was handpicked on 1 April and gently destemmed into traditional oak open fermenters. A small portion of whole bunches (10%). After 10-14 days on skins, the wine was pressed off skins into tight grain 500L French oak puncheons for malolactic fermentation and maturation. The wine remained in oak for 11 months and was racked twice during maturation.

Tasting note

A lifted, delicately perfumed and spicy Syrah, medium-bodied in style. The palate is concentrated and silky, with finely structured tannins, bright fruit characters, wonderful elegance and depth. Stored carefully, this wine will age gracefully for ten years.