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2020 SINGLE VINEYARD BLANC DE BLANC



2020 VINTAGE

The further we got into winter, the colder and wetter it became to the past 25-year average. Spring continued in this vein with temperatures cooler than average, and rainfall higher, with the dam filling naturally in late November. December bucked the trend with abnormally high temperatures, five days above 35°C degrees and three days above 40°C and very low rainfall. This mirrored the rest of the country where the drought and high temperatures prevailed throughout Queensland and New South Wales.

We thought we were staring down a very hot, dry summer to come, however, January and February brought generally cooler weather and significantly higher rainfall than normal (112mm more). Furthermore, the season started to lengthen with picking dates extending out as much as two weeks more than has been the norm recently for some varieties.

VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

The Yarra Valley is the eminent sparkling wine region of Australia and our Blanc de Blanc is produced to uphold that reputation.

The grapes for our Blanc de Blanc were picked on the cusp of ripeness, around ten Baumé to allow the citrus crisp flavours to dominate the palate. The essential natural acidity creates a platform for the energetic bead to deliver a mouthful of fresh effervescence.

TASTING

Aromas of sherbet and citrus abound with hints of grapefruit and tropical notes. Some complexity on the front palate with the tingle of mineral acidity balanced by sweet, stone fruit flavours. The finish is dry and crisp with some textural aspects from the secondary fermentation.

This wine is best removed from the fridge 15 minutes prior to enjoying, ensuring it is at the ultimate 10 degrees serving temperature.

PAIRING

Ideally served by itself as an aperitif, however, this wine will also suit fresh shucked oysters or vegetable rice paper rolls.

TECHNICAL

VINEYARD:	Hexham
STYLE:	Dry (Brut)
HARVEST:	7 February 2020
BAUME AT HARVEST:	10.0
pH AT HARVEST:	3.2
TA AT HARVEST:	10.0

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