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2020 SINGLE VINEYARD BRACHETTO TRANQUILLO



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

Brachetto is an ancient Italian variety dating back to Roman times and is only planted in a few vineyards in Australia. We make a still wine that follows the traditional 'Tranquillo' method. The sweetness of the wine is from natural fruit sugars that remain after we stop fermentation before the wine is completely dry. We are left with a delightfully still, dessert style wine that is a little lower in alcohol and finishes fresh and clean with flavours of rosewater and strawberries.

TECHNICAL

VARIETALS:	Brachetto
CLONES:	H104
HARVEST:	12 March 2020
BAUME AT HARVEST:	12.5
pH AT HARVEST:	3.5
TA AT HARVEST:	7.3

TASTING

Pale pink in colour, this wine has aromas of candied strawberries and mandarin flowers. Delicate flavours of rose petals and strawberries carry through to the palate which finishes with citrus freshness.

PAIRING

Try a raspberry and almond tart with mascarpone or a soft, creamy brie and fresh fruit.

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