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Wildstreak

Old Vine Chardonnay / Hunter Valley / 2021

'Wildstreak' celebrates the maverick that is Peter Drayton. Though a fifth generation descendant of the Hunter Valley Drayton family, Peter has forged his own independent way, embodying the audacious spirit and adventurous vision of his very early pioneering forefathers.



Colour

Straw yellow.

Nose

Bright aromas of marshmallow, lemon curd, toasted cashews, and a hint of toffee.

Palate

Complex flavours of apricot, honeydew, a tight minerality and elegant spice. Textural elements from barrel fermentation ensures a long finish.

Winemaking

With 2021 providing excellent conditions for chardonnay growth, we decided to hand pick and whole bunch press our blocks. From here we clarified the juice and sent it to barrel to ferment for the next couple of weeks. Barrels were left on lees for 3 months before being racked and returned to barrel for a further 7 months. This wine is a selection of our best barrels from 2021 creating our top of the range 2021 chardonnay for your enjoyment.

Food Pairing

Pair with creamy pasta or cheese board.

Vintage Notes

The Hunter Valley was blessed with an optimistic start to the season, when the debilitating four-year drought broke in February 2020. It proved to be a vintage unimpeded by heat spikes, and while February rainfall was less than 80% of average, a 60mm downpour in January imposed disease stress. Attentiveness in the vineyards paid stronger dividends than usual, even by Hunter standards. Chardonnay emerged the unlikely hero of the season.

Quick Notes

Vintage: 2021

Winemakers: Peter Drayton | Jeremy O'Brien

Grape Variety: 100% Chardonnay

Bottled: February 2022

Growing Area: Hunter Valley

Alc %/Vol.: 13.0 % v/v

Titratable Acidity: 6.2 g/l

Ph: 3.36

Cellar Potential: 5-10 years

Oak: French

Maturation: 10 months