

# Dowie Vineyard CHENIN BLANC 2021



### GRAPES McLaren Vale, South Australia



Dowie Vineyard - Blewitt Springs

#### **CHARACTERISTICS**



# WINE MAKERS COMMENTS

Chenin Blanc is true to DOWIE DOOLE's heart as it is the first wine we ever released. We are privileged to have what we believe to be the oldest chenin blanc vines in Australia, planted 1933, located on our Dowie Vineyard on the cool sandy slopes of Blewitt Sprigns sub-regions of McLaren Vale.

The very cold nights of the Blewitt Springs slopes suit this variety, allowing the fruit to become flavor ripe while maintain its natural acidity. The geology of Maslin sands containing large rocks of ironstone, add a minerality to the wine.

Winemaking influence is kept to minimum, the fruit is destemmed and immediately pressed to stainless steel tank. Where the juice is then settled, racked clean of solids prior to fermentation, preserving the cleaner fruit characters. After fermentation the wine is aged on lees, 8% in old French oak and 92% in stainless steel, with occasional lees stirring to build texture prior to bottling.

A lifted spectrum of fruit with notes guava, passionfruit and citrus. Chenin Blanc hallmark acid line underpins the wine giving great length and age ability.

## VINIFICATION

