

# HANDPICKED<sup>®</sup> WINES



SINGLE VINEYARD

### *Capella* Chardonnay

We are an independent Australian winery passionate about crafting top-quality wines that offer a true sense of place, but we are inherently not based in a single place! The Mornington Peninsula is home to our winery and flagship vineyard Capella, but our winemaking spreads to our vineyards across the country - from Barossa Valley to Tasmania – and beyond.

**VINTAGE** 2021

**GRAPE VARIETIES** 100% Chardonnay

#### ORIGIN

Capella Vineyard, Mornington Peninsula, VIC Australia.

Near the shores of Western Port on the Mornington Peninsula is Capella Vineyard, a small ultrapremium site with 5.2 ha of Pinot Noir and 1.6 ha of Chardonnay planted on VSP trellis.

Soils are grey clay loam with good drainage. An efficient drip irrigation system flows through the estate, and in order to reduce water usage and increase soil health and biodiversity we make our own mulch and compost teas. Other practices like hormonal pest control, interrow crops, mechanical weed control and organic fertilisers are among the management techniques used to improve soil biodiversity and vitality and overall vineyard health. The site is NASAA Certified Organic (Nov '22) and SWA accredited (Dec '22).

# CRAFTING & AGEING

Select parcels of fruit - P58 and Mendoza clones - were wholebunch pressed to tank, racked with full solids into French oak barriques and puncheons (33% new). Fermented utilising predominantly indigenous yeast. Wine spent 11 months in mixture of Taransaud and Mercurey French oak prior to bottling.

#### **AROMA & PALATE**

This wine has vibrant citrus and stone fruits with soft floral undertones. It has bright, mineral acidity with a soft chalky texture beautifully balance subtle oak.

#### **SERVING & FOOD PAIRING**

Pair with vegetarian risotto, pan-fried white fish, prawns, lobster, vegetable terrine, and rich creamy cheeses.

Serving temperature: 10 - 12°C / 50 - 54F Cellar potential: 2032

#### ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 12.2% v/v Acidity: 7.4 g/l pH: 3.2

## AWARDS

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