



WINEMAKER'S SELECTION VAT 1 SEMILLON 2019

Date Picked 5 & 6 February 2019

Date Bottled 11 July 2019

Alc 10.5% | **pH** 3.09 | **TA** 6.22 g/L

96 Points Gary Walsh, *The Wine Front*

96 Points, *Wine Enthusiast*

95 Points James Suckling

Vineyard

Vat 1 Semillon only ever comes from the oldest and best blocks. The vines are all dry grown, on their own roots, and date back to 1923.

Vintage Conditions

The 2019 vintage in the Hunter Valley was another high-quality year across all varieties and was a stellar follow up to 2018. Continued dry conditions meant cropping levels were slightly lower than normal however all of the fruit was in perfect condition with intense concentration.

Winemaker's Notes

All of the fruit was hand-picked on 5 and 6 of February in perfect condition before being lightly pressed. The free-run juice was then fermented at cool temperatures in stainless steel tanks. The wine stayed in these tanks until bottling in early July.

Tasting Notes

The nose shows a lifted floral character with a hint of citrus that is more intense than in recent years. The palate is grand cru-like in the sense that it has great depth and power yet maintains its elegance through the finish, with a softer acid profile giving the wine great balance. A classic Vat 1 with the exceptional length and balance only seen in great vintages.

THE STORY OF WINEMAKER'S SELECTION

Third generation Murray Tyrrell created the Winemaker's Selection collection of wines in 1962 inspired by the old-vine vineyard assets within the Tyrrell Family Estate, Ashmans. With the assistance of Len Evans, he set out to identify and determine the best wines from each vintage that represent the estate and define the Tyrrell's house style. The collection of flagship wines were labelled after the cask number in which they were matured. After decades of refining the wines and defining our house style, the wines are predominantly sourced from our iconic Short Flat Vineyard, first planted in 1923 with pre-phylloxera vine material, planted on their own roots. Today, the Winemaker's Selection wines are our flagship collection of wines that are widely considered to be Australian icons. They represent the epitome of winemaking at Tyrrell's and offer textbook examples of wines that define who we are and where we are from. The wines are world-renowned for their age-ability and are some of the most collected wines on the planet. Wines include Vat 1 Semillon, Vat 63 Chardonnay Semillon, Vat 47 Chardonnay, Vat 6 Pinot Noir, Vat 9 Shiraz, Vat 8 Shiraz Cabernet.

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1
Chardonnay
6.01 hectares



Chardonnay

 Shiraz

Building/structure



Dam

4
Pinot Noir
0.34 hectares



Semillon



Pinot Noir

128m

Elevation contour