

TYRRELL'S



SINGLE VINEYARD MOTHER'S SHIRAZ 2021

Vineyard

Mother's vineyard is situated adjacent to Chris and Tegan Tyrrell's home and has always been known as Mother's after Murray Tyrrell's mother, who lived there for her entire married life. The block was planted in 2010 using cuttings from 4 Acres, Johnno's and Old Patch, ensuring that our best Shiraz clones are preserved.

Vintage Conditions

The autumn and winter months of 2020 saw the worst drought in a generation be broken with substantial rainfall, we led into an outstanding growing season for the 2021 vintage. A cool summer then gave us even, stress-free ripening with some heat around Australia Day that was perfectly timed at the final stages of ripening. With an early budburst and later than normal harvesting, the fruit had a longer than normal hang time, which meant that all of the fruit had wonderful flavours balanced by a high natural acidity.

Winemaker's Notes

On February 20, the fruit was handpicked and sorted in the vineyard before fermentation took place in our open top vats. After fermentation, the wine was matured in two two-year-old French oak casks for 14 months.

Tasting Notes

Mother's shows a red fruited, savoury spice aroma typical with the vintage from this part of the Estate. A bright, pretty wine that is light to medium bodied with only a hint of oak. Lively red fruit, with a crunchy acidity that gives the wine great drinkability at this early stage of its life.

Date Picked 20 February 2021 | **Date Bottled** 5 May 2022

Alc 13.0% | **pH** 3.41 | **TA** 6.10 g/L

THE STORY OF VINEYARD SELECTION

Our Single Vineyards celebrate the best single blocks that produce wines of distinct character unique to that site and the Hunter Valley. The redefinition of the vineyard source of our top wines has been the major change at Tyrrell's over the past 35 years. For most of our history, Tyrrell's has produced its wines by blending together parcels from different vineyards. However, in 1983, we created the HVD Semillon, our first formally recognised single-vineyard wine. Throughout the 1980s, we continued to investigate how the location and soil of each individual vineyard influences the unique flavours of the wines they produce. Then, in 1992, Bruce Tyrrell struck a deal to buy grapes from the Stevens family, sealing it with a handshake. This key move was a shift in direction to focus on the intrinsic quality and uniqueness of the great single vineyards of the Hunter Valley and beyond. Since then, we've set out to lease, purchase or enter into grape-buying arrangements with the very best vineyard sites in the Hunter Valley. Today, our Single Vineyard range celebrates those truly great vineyard blocks, which produce wines with a distinct character that's unique to that site and to the Hunter.