

TYRRELL'S



SINGLE VINEYARD HVD SEMILLON 2018

Vineyard

Situated between two dry creek beds, the HVD (Hunter Valley Distillery) vineyard has ideal soils for Semillon; free draining sandy soils over coarse river sand. The vines are dry grown and were planted in 1908.

Vintage Conditions

Vintage 2018 was a strong Semillon vintage in the Hunter Valley. Dry, warm conditions that were similar to 2003 meant cropping levels were smaller than average and produced wines of great concentration and length of flavour.

Winemaker's Notes

The fruit was handpicked on 26 and 27 January before being lightly pressed and then the free run juice was used for fermentation at cool temperatures in stainless steel tanks. The wine stayed in these tanks until bottling in June.

Tasting Notes

Vivid green colour, the nose is complex with an almost savoury element that sits in well with the riper citrus characters. The palate is full and soft, typical of the vineyard with a fine boned acidity with an almost chalky finish.

Date Picked 26 and 27 January 2018 | **Date Bottled** 28 June 2018

Alc 12.2% | **pH** 3.16 | **TA** 6.12 g/L

THE STORY OF SINGLE VINEYARD

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 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 wines celebrate those truly great vineyard blocks, which produce wines with a distinct character that's unique to that site and to the Hunter.