

# TYRRELL'S



## ESTATE GROWN CHARDONNAY 2022

### Vineyard

The Tyrrell's Estate vineyards are nestled in the foothills of the Brokenback Range. Each unique parcel produces fine wines that embody the characteristics and true style of the Hunter Valley. 2022 was another exceptional Chardonnay vintage, similar to 2021. This wine is made entirely from our famous HVD vineyard. These dry grown blocks were planted in 1984 and 2003 and together they produce a modern style that has both richness and finesse.

### Vintage Conditions

The 2022 vintage, in many ways, was a mirror of 2021. With above average rainfall in the winter months, the vines were set up perfectly for the growing season. Cooler temperatures over the summer period meant that there was no rush to begin harvest and we began about seven to ten days later than normal. All of the fruit was in remarkable condition with intense fruit flavours coupled with high natural acidity.

### Winemaker's Notes

All of the fruit was handpicked before immediately being basket pressed; the juice was then cold settled for two days before being racked to another stainless steel tank to begin fermentation. The fermenting juice was then transferred to tight grain French oak barriques and puncheons (with only a small percentage being new) to complete fermentation and maturation before bottling..

### Tasting Notes

A modern style of Australian Chardonnay, combining powerful Chardonnay fruit and bright acidity with minimal oak. Vibrant colour with a green hue, the nose exhibits white stone fruits and grapefruit. A small amount of 'solids' complexity exists in the background. The palate shows intense stone fruit characters whilst showing the brightness and energy, which is a result of the cool vintage. These fruit characters are balanced by citrus acidity, subtle oak and lees complexity giving the wine its length and complexity.

**Date Picked** 31 January, 1 & 2 February 2022 | **Date Bottled** 24 November 2022

**Alc** 13.3% | **pH** 3.42 | **TA** 6.87 g/L

## THE STORY OF ESTATE GROWN

Estate Grown is a blend of our best estate vineyards that are not assigned to our flagship Winemaker's Selection wines.

The Tyrrell's estate, nestled in the foothills of the Brokenback Range, is a unique patchwork of vineyards. Thriving in a diverse range of soils, from sandy loams lying on ancient creek beds to heavier red clays over limestone, these vineyards produce some of the most distinctive and refined wines in the world.

Since 1858, Tyrrell's viticultural philosophy has always been focused on sustainability and preserving our valuable vineyard assets for future generations. With this outlook and a firm focus on what lies ahead, our winemakers will continue to evolve the style of these wines through careful vineyard selections that are tailored to each new vintage that Mother Nature hands them.