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2019 Steven Vineyard Chardonnay

Vineyard

Steven Vineyard, Hunter Valley

The Single Vineyard range reveals the unique character of the Hunter Valley's finest vineyards. Produced in small quantities and only in exceptional vintages, the wines are brought to life using modern viticultural and winemaking techniques.



The Story

Four hectares of chardonnay were planted in 1991 on the Steven Vineyard. We don't normally release a single vineyard chardonnay, however the parcel of fruit from the 2019 vintage was exceptional and we wanted to showcase the fruit as its own individual vineyard. It is the purity, intensity, and length of the fruit that distinguishes this wine & cements the Steven vineyard as one of the great historic sites of the Hunter Valley.

The Wine

With its vibrant green hue, this wine's delicate nose is perfectly balanced with notes of citrus and white stone fruit, with a subtle hint of oak sitting in the background. The palate is medium-bodied and presents vibrant Chardonnay fruit. The mouthfeel is complemented by textural elements derived from the solids ferment and extended time on yeast lees.

The Vintage

Low yields, small bunches and exceptional fruit profile were the hallmarks of the 2019 vintage.

A good growing and picking season resulted in high quality fruit coming off our vineyards.

The Potential

This wine is drinking very well with a few years of bottle development, but will continue to improve with 5-10 years further cellaring.

Add a six pack to add to your cellar and open one each year to see the development.

The Match

The symbiosis of fruit vibrancy, oak and textured mouthfeel make this 2019 Steven Vineyard Chardonnay perfect for enjoying on its own or pairing with a delicious meal.

Our choice would be chargrilled Balmain bug swimming in herb and garlic butter.

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