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TIERS VINEYARD 1.5M CHARDONNAY

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DETAILS OF PRODUCTION

The 2020 Tiers 1.5M Chardonnay stands alongside its older sibling, the 2020 Tiers Old Block, as an equal but with the subtle differences of its close spaced, French clone, earlier ripening habit. The hand harvested Chardonnay grapes from the Tiers Vineyard 1.5M block, were chilled in trays in the cold-room to 2C. The cold grapes were tipped into our gentle air-bag presses and the whole fruit pressed juice was pumped to tank before being gravitated to French oak barriques (one third new) for fermentation. The fermentation lasted two months in the cool autumn conditions. The wine was barrel aged on full lees until February of 2021 when it was clear raked from barrique and bottled.

TASTING NOTES

The Tiers 1.5M is slightly yellower than its older sibling. The aroma is more open and ripe, more of peach than nectarine and with some elderflower and custard sweetness. The flavour is intense and very fruit ripe and fresh. There is significant texture and fruit sweetness and exceptional length of flavour. The trade mark texture is offset by the acid and grapefruit finishing cut of the Tiers Vineyard. The delayed ripening of a very small crop in perfect cool, dry and sunny conditions, has defined a very special Chardonnay from the unique and distinguished Tiers 1.5M Vineyard terroir.

HOW TO SERVE

Drink over the next 5 years,

"This offers the same blend of lemon and white peach seen in the old-vine Tiers Chardonnay from this vintage, with greater oak influence reading in the wine for now. The intensity is impressive, with acidity driving a vivid, powerful palate. 94 points."

JAMES SUCKLING, JAMESSUCKLING.COM, OCTOBER 2021
TAPANAPPA TIERS VINEYARD 1.5M CHARDONNAY 2020

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VINTAGE

2020

STYLE

White

BLEND OF GRAPES

100% Chardonnay

WINEMAKER

Brian Croser

ALCOHOL

13.9%

