



DOMINIQUE PORTET

Yarra Valley

DOMINIQUE PORTET YARRA VALLEY CHARDONNAY 2015

Vine

100% Chardonnay from a beautiful, mature vineyard in the Upper Yarra Valley. The vines grow on volcanic red soils on a steep, fast-draining slope at an altitude of 350m. The elevation makes for cooler growing conditions compared with the valley floor. The slower ripening process allows intense, complex aromas and flavours to develop. The cool nights help the grapes retain vital acidity for freshness and energy in the resulting wine.

Wine

The grapes were picked by hand when the flavours had reached the citrus/stone fruit spectrum and the skins retained a slight green tinge - before they went soft and golden. We gently pressed the fruit as whole bunches and fermented it in French oak barrels (25% new) with very tight-grained wood. We stirred the lees occasionally early on and then left the wine to gradually come together over several months. We bottled it in January 2016.

Glass

This a fine, fragrant and structured Chardonnay, with a lovely, lively flow across the palate and a lingering finish. It's vibrant yellow-green in colour, with a fragrant nose of citrus blossom, lime pith, white peach and cinnamon, all of which follow on the seamless and detailed palate. The natural acidity gives it drive and length, as well as the capacity to age gracefully over several years. It's an elegant wine whose intensity and structure mean it can be paired with richer dishes.

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Alcohol: 13.5%

RRP: \$45

Closure: Screwcap

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ABOUT DOMINIQUE PORTET

The Yarra Valley winery was established in 2000 by Bordeaux-raised Dominique Portet, whose family's winemaking history stretches back 10 consecutive generations to 18th century France. Dominique and son Ben craft fresh, elegant, expressive wines from Sparkling Rosé to Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz coolly grown in the Victorian regions of the Yarra Valley, and Heathcote.