



CRICKET FLAT.

Owned by Brett and Julianne Williams, since the first vintage in 1999 the 'Cricket Flat' vineyard has been hand pruned and meticulously tended by Brett. In 2013 Brett and Julianne decided to collaborate with friend, and talented winemaker, Phil Lehmann to create single vineyard wines under their label, 'Cricket Flat'.

2015 Coonawarra Chardonnay

VINEYARD

2015 was a stand out growing season for our Chardonnay. Our small 30 Ha patch of Chardonnay vines were lovingly hand pruned and tended to in the winter months. We then had a warm, dry flowering which was then backed up by a beautiful Coonawarra summer full of warm days and cool nights. All in all, the result was a smaller crop with concentrated varietal characters.

To ensure that the grapes are harvested in a way that preserves all the hard work we put into the vineyard, we use a state-of-the art Pellenc Selectiv Harvester which de-stems the grapes in the vineyard leaving only the berries.

WINEMAKING

The Williams fruit was transferred to 100% new French oak Barriques, and then approximately two-thirds of the barrels were inoculated to instigate malolactic fermentation before the alcohol ferment, to tighten the structure of the wine. During this process, the barrels were stored in a cold room at 2 degrees to extend the fermentation and enhance complexity in the finished wine. Following fermentation, the wine remained on lees for 9 months, with constant stirring to add even more dimensions to the finished Chardonnay.

TASTING NOTE

In the glass the wine has beautiful pale straw colours with light green hues. The nose is elegant with vibrant notes of white nectarine and peach and a subtle hint of toasted brioche in the background. The palate is structured with concentrated bright stone-fruit notes alongside hints of lemon blossom and Biscotti, with a refreshing crisp finish.

ANALYSIS

ALC 13.5% TA 6.12 g/L RS 2.46 g/L VA 0.32g/L



VITICULTURIST
Brett Williams

WINEMAKER
Phil Lehmann