

LOST FARM

TASMANIA



2019 CHARDONNAY

TAMAR VALLEY
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Lost Farm Wines is about discovery and potential. Through key relationships with a small number of growers in the cold climate of Tasmania's Tamar Valley we aim to make wines with soil, soul and place in mind.

VINTAGE

The 2019 Vintage in Northern Tasmania will be a benchmark year for many. Mild weather and low winds during flowering set a good crop. We had good December rain which was followed by long dry periods through January and February and these conditions shaped flavour and quality to an exceptional level. Temperatures continued to be warm through March ensuring even ripening and perfect flavour development. Those who expect quality and diversity in true representation of terroir need not fear disappointment from 2019.

VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

The vineyard for our Chardonnay is located in the northern Tamar Valley on a rise high above the beautiful Tamar River. With a stunning northerly and north easterly aspect and deep, grey sand. This vineyard delivers pristine fruit with vibrant acidity. Fruit was picked on flavour ripeness in late March. The pristine Chardonnay was whole bunch pressed to cooled stainless steel for settling, before being transferred to a combination of new (30%) and seasoned French oak barrels. Fermentation began and moved along at a good pace. Partial malolactic fermentation then took place adding richness and balance. The barrels were stirred weekly to develop texture and complexity. Each barrel was assessed separately and the resulting blend created from only the best barrels.

WINEMAKERS NOTES

An elegant, fine Chardonnay that shows aromatics of delicate peach, subtle melon and integrated high quality French oak (think Burgundian François Frères and Mercurey). The palate is complex and lingering, full of stone fruit with a creaminess and texture, all linked together with cleansing, refreshing and zesty acidity. The 2019 Lost Farm Chardonnay is a finessed style of classically cool climate Chardonnay.

660 cases made.