# PLANTAGENET

# 'YORK' CHARDONNAY 2019



The Plantagenet range of wines is named in honour of a family, branch or region from the Plantagenet Royal House which ruled in England and France from the 12th to 15th century.

## **BLEND**

Chardonnay 100%

#### COLOUR

Medium Straw

## AROMATICS

White flower cashew, nougat and spiced quince.

#### PALATE

White flesh nectarine and peach with hints of wet quartz, flint and toast. Richly textured palate with subtle lingering spice.

# CELLAR POTENTIAL

3-5+ years

#### FOOD PAIRING

Chicken and mushroom crepe with béchamel.

## VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The preceding 12 months to the 2019 vintage were dry. However timely rains during late winter and early March produced enough sub-surface moisture for the advancement of both vine health and fruit ripening capacity. The cool conditions during the month of November produced poor fruit set and thus a significant reduction in yield. These cool conditions prevailed throughout the summer months producing restrained balanced vine canopies and a significant delay to the commencement of vintage.

# WINEMAKING

Combination of whole bunch pressed and destemmed fruit pressed to tank then racked to French oak barriques (25% new) with a degree of solids. Combination of wild and inoculated fermentation held below 20°C. Malolactic ferment not encouraged. Lees stirred weekly initially and reduced to monthly towards the end of maturation. Racked to final blend, light fining, stabilisation, filtration and bottling.

#### WINEMAKING DATA

Geographical Indication | Great Southern pH | 3.23 | Titratable Acidity | 7.5 g/L Alcohol | 13.5%

