



# PEPPER TREE

LIMITED RELEASE

‘CASUARINA’  
2021 Hunter Valley Semillon

Pure Semillon aromas of fresh lemon and lime cordial articulate this classic Hunter Semillon. The palate is intense yet elegant and crisp, displaying mineral texture with great line and length. A wine of great drive and finesse. Enjoy now or confidently cellar to capture aged complexity.

Head Winemaker, Gwyn Olsen

## VINTAGE

The 2021 growing season provided exceptional fruit quality and exceptional challenges. The growing season started with a few sleepless nights as hail dusted various parts of the Hunter Valley affecting some blocks fruit and canopy, but leaving others pristine. Bright sunshine filled the start of ripening, with warm sunny days and cool nights allowing phenomenal acid and flavour presence in the whites. Chardonnay and Semillon are the stand outs. Unfortunately once the whites were harvested, the heavens opened and provided the reds with wet and cool conditions to ripen. This has resulted in medium bodied, elegant reds being produced with intense floral notes.

## APPELLATION / GI

Hunter Valley (New South Wales) 100%,

## WINEMAKING

Hand picked and delivered to the winery, the fruit was then chilled and pressed into tank for cold settling. The clear juice was racked off and inoculated with a chosen yeast strain and fermented cool. Once dry, the wine was left on yeast lees for five months before being prepared for bottling.

## VINEYARD

Pepper Tree's Hunter Valley vineyard is in the Mount View area of the Lower Hunter Valley in the sheltered foothills of the Brokenback Range and covers 38.5 ha of plantings. The area boasts highly favourable soils influenced by the large proportion of limestone in the underlying rocks. Alluvial loams along the vineyard's creek flats are ideal soils for Semillon and Verdelho.

Our ‘Casuarina’ Limited Release Semillon is sourced from the renowned Casuarina Vineyard located on Hermitage Road, Pokolbin in the Lower Hunter Valley.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

BLEND:	Semillon (100%)
BOTTLING DATE:	06/2021
PH:	3.29
TA:	7.3 g/l
ALC/VOL:	11.9%
STANDARD DRINKS:	7.0



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