



# PEPPER TREE

( SINGLE HERITAGE VINEYARD - PLATINUM RANGE )

## 2019 'TALLAWANTA' Hunter Valley Shiraz

*The best Hunter Shiraz comes from old vines grown on the renowned red clay soils on the foothills of the Brokenback Range. The Tallawanta vineyard was planted in 1920 by the Elliot family and to this day produces some of the Hunter's best Shiraz. The Shiraz vines are believed to be sourced from plantings brought to the Hunter Valley by James Busby in the 1830s.*

These 100 year old vines produce tiny quantities of intensely flavoured fruit creating a wine of great balance and length, showcasing the vineyard and region. Medium bodied in style with an unmatched ability to age in the bottle. A true Hunter classic.

Head Winemaker, Gwyn Olsen

### VINTAGE

2019 was another exceptional vintage in the Hunter Valley. The growing season was very dry following on from the previous two drought vintages in the valley. The dry conditions saw optimal ripening for both whites and reds without any extreme heat. The resulting whites are fresh and concentrated with good mid palate fruit weight. The reds are standouts with concentrated fruit flavours, perfectly ripe tannins and finely balanced acidity.

2019 will be a vintage talked about for many years to come.

### VINEYARD

Tallawanta Vineyard is based at the foothills of the Brokenback Range in the Hunter Valley between Hunter Valley Gardens and Harrigan's Irish Pub on Broke Rd, Pokolbin. This was one of the jewels in the crown of the Elliott family-owned wine company and was acquired by the Roche group when it bought the former Hungerford Hill Wine Village site. Pepper Tree is able to tend and source a very small section of fruit for this single vineyard wine.

### APPELLATION / GI

Hunter Valley (New South Wales) 100%

### WINEMAKING

Picked when ripe and then de-stemmed into a static fermenter for primary fermentation. Once dry, the wine was pressed off skins to old French oak puncheons for secondary ferment and subsequent maturation for 12 months before being blended and bottled.

#### TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

BLEND:	Shiraz (100%)
BOTTLING DATE:	03/2020
BOTTLE NUMBER RANGE:	1 - 1310
PH:	3.50
TA:	6.7 g/l
ALC/VOL:	13.8%
STANDARD DRINKS:	8.2



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