

# PEPPERTREE

# TALLAWANTA SINGLE VINEYARD

# SINGLE VINEYARD 2014 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. Now under the care of Pepper Tree.

These 90 year old vines produce tiny quantities of intensely flavoured fruit. Medium bodied in style with an unmatched ability to age in the bottle, this 2014 vintage is a wine of great purity, length and longevity - a true Hunter classic.

## VINTAGE

The Hunter 2014 vintage started the season with good rains. Budburst in late August. Very good growing season with warm mild weather. Whites ripened very early and harvest started on January 8th. Ripening proceeded smoothly with no rain and no excessive heat. All whites were picked in good condition with very good flavour and balance. Reds were even better. Shiraz from this year was the best for many years and has produced outstanding wines with great depth and balance. Excellent vintage.

#### 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. The vineyard is now leased by Pepper Tree for a 10 year term with the option to renew at the end of that period.

#### APPELLATION/ GI

Hunter Valley (NSW) 100%

# WINEMAKING

Fermented on skins at 18 - 20 Degrees for 7 days. Matured in selected French oak for 12 months prior to blending and bottling.

## **AWARDS**



**GOLD** - Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2016 (Class 43)

Silver

**Silver** - Decanter World Wine Awards 2017

TECHNICAL INFORMATION;	
BLEND:	Shiraz (100%)
BOTTLING DATE:	6/2015
PH:	3.48
TA:	7.1 g/l
ALC/VOL:	14.2%
STANDARD DRINKS:	8.4

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#### HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION TASTING NOTE:

Hunter shiraz in all its medium weight glory. Earthen but not gamey, spicy but neatly so, awash with cherry and plum fruit flavour and appropriately adorned in cedary oak. Tannin pours and churns through, firm but fair. In all respects a gorgeous wine, with a wonderful future ahead.