



PEPPER TREE

LIMITED RELEASE 'SILENUS' 2021 Orange Chardonnay Pinot Noir

This traditionally made bottle fermented limited release sparkling wine is a blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. It is a wine that has great integration and texture with a fine and persistent bead. Complexing aromas of baked strawberry tart and white peach effortlessly fill the palate. This is a well balanced wine with persistence and elegance.

VINTAGE

Orange experienced damp cool conditions in Spring and early Summer leading to favourable slow ripening conditions for whites such as Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc. This also applied to Riesling which was the star of the vintage. Pinot Noir ripened slowly and produced some very good parcels. Shiraz and Cabernet were picked late in the season with good colour and acid balance and look to have a promising future.

The overall assessment of the Orange 2021 vintage was that it was a cool late ripening vintage which gave wines of great balance and flavour with good ageing potential.

VINEYARD

One of Australia's premium regions being favoured for its high altitude cool climate. Situated approximately 270 km west of Sydney the topography and soils of the Orange region are dominated by the extinct volcano Mt Canobolas. The present day peak of the mountain is at 1400m and vineyards in the region are planted at elevations as high as 1100m with the lowest elevations in the region being 600m. Soils in the central part of the region are derived from the basaltic lavas of the old volcano, and primarily consist of deep red to brown free draining clay loams.

APPELLATION / GI

Orange (New South Wales) 100%

WINEMAKING

This traditionally made bottle fermented sparkling wine is a blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Bottled and left on lees for approximately 60 months before disgorging.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

BLEND:	Chardonnay (53%) Pinot Noir (47%)
DISGORGED DATE:	06/2023
PH:	3.38
TA:	5.2 g/l
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	1.5 g/l
ALC/VOL:	12.4%
STANDARD DRINKS:	7.3



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