

## CLOVER HILL VINTAGE RELEASE BRUT 2012

REGION: PIPERS RIVERS, TASMANIA  
VARIETY: 65% CHARDONNAY, 29% PINOT NOIR, 6% PINOT MEUNIER

Clover Hill Classic Vintage Cuvée is an elegant wine with superb length. Truly capturing the essence of the cool climate of Tasmania, a highlight of Clover Hill is its structure and finesse.

Clover Hill sparkling wine is sourced from pre-eminent vineyards in Tasmania, an area becoming acknowledged as the premier location for cool-climate sparkling wine in Australia. Clover Hill's first vintage was in 1991, which solely comprised chardonnay. Since 1994, the blend has evolved to include all three classic sparkling grapes, with pinot noir and pinot meunier added to attain the iconic style.

Clover Hill is created using traditional methods. Furthermore, portions of this wine have been aged in small-format french oak foudres and barriques to highlight the complexity that can be achieved by a sparkling house of this calibre.

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

With a light straw colour indicative of a chardonnay, this refined wine has developed a golden hue during its three years on tirage. In addition to its colour, this time has also resulted in a delicate bead with a persistent mousse. On the nose, it displays citrus and red berries, with a hint of toasted brioche. The palate is delicate and creamy, but driven by a natural acidity from a cool and extended growing season in Tasmania.

Delicate, with superb length, this wine will drink well now and age for up to ten years.

### KEY ACCOLADES

- **Silver Medal** - 2016 Champagne & Sparkling World Championships
- 95 points – Wine Business Magazine
- 95 points – Dan Murphy's Wine Panel
- 95 points – Peter Chapman
- 92 points – Huon Hooke

### WINE ANALYSIS

Acid: 8.3 g/L	pH: 3.27	Harvested: April 2012
Alcohol by volume: 11.9%		Disgorged: September 2015
Residual Sugar: 7.5 g/L		Winemakers: Robert Heywood & Peter Warr

