

KREGLINGER



Kreglinger 2017 Vintage Brut

Tasting Notes: The finest expression of Tasmanian sparkling, a classical vintage brut of exquisite power and elegance. A blend of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay and aged for many years in the bottle, bring complexity and richness to the purity of Tasmanian fruit. Lifted and elegant, displaying notes of delicate lemon, crisp pear, red apple and fresh brioche, the palate has depth, length and perfect balance. The wine reflects the beauty of the region it is grown in, Pipers River, Tasmania.

The Vineyard: This vintage Kreglinger sparkling is sourced from a single vineyard of the same name, with high-density Pinot Noir and chardonnay of significant vine age, specifically established and managed for sparkling wine production in the Pipers Brook district. The site was chosen for our vintage sparkling program after many years of rigorous trialing and evaluation. Annual heat summation figures of 950-1050 growing degree days Celsius compare very favorably with sites in Champagne (around 1030 GDD). The Pipers Brook district is characterised by Ferrosol (volcanic) soils, also known as kraznozems. Basalt-derived, they have excellent water holding capacity, offering a steady supply of moisture and nourishment to vines that are managed without irrigation. Vertical Shoot Positioned (VSP) trellises of very high vine density are hedge-trimmed in summer to provide increased bunch exposure to the sun. Row-spacings are narrow at 1.5 meters.

The Winemaking: Hand harvested in the cold morning hours from our Hills Vineyard in Pipers River, the cool fruit was very carefully whole bunch pressed extracted only the most delicate juice. Selected parcels were cool fermented in barrel to retain vibrant regional fruit characters, with subsequent malolactic fermentation and battonage to create exceptional texture and creaminess. Hand-crafted, this wine was blended from only the best individual parcels to create a wine of beauty and complexity. Made in the Traditional Method this wine underwent secondary ferment in bottle and was then bottle aged for over 3 years before release.

Varietals:	Pinot Noir 60%, Chardonnay 40%
Region:	Pipers Brook
Dosage:	6.25g/l
Alcohol	12.5%
Tirage time:	37 months

