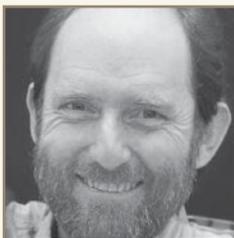


BROKENWOOD



2009 BROKENWOOD ILR RESERVE SEMILLON

WINEMAKER: Iain Riggs
REGION: Hunter Valley
VARIETALS: Semillon
FERMENTATION: Stainless Steel
ANALYSIS: 11.0% alc/vol | 7.63 g/L TA | 2.90 pH | 2.8 g/L RS

WINEMAKING:

As per our standard Hunter style, the Semillon fruit was hand-picked at low baume with great fruit weight and flavor intensity, alongside brilliant and focused acidity. Harvesting all by hand. The fruit was crushed, chilled and pressed immediately. Neutral yeasts were used for the fermentation which was carried out in stainless steel tanks to preserve the pristine fruit characters and aromatics, lasting 3-4 weeks. The wine was then cold-settled, racked and filtered prior to bottling, without any influence from malolactic fermentation or oak. The use of screw cap seal will ensure freshness and avoid any chance of cork taint or oxidation.

TASTING NOTES:

This wine has a beautiful straw-green color, and the high quality, ideally ripe grapes means nothing interferes with the wine's gentle aging. Right now, and as the wine warms up, the citrus and some florals come in to focus. Bees wax and then 'toast' will come in a few years. A lively palate with plenty of citrus pith and seamless acidity. A perfect follow up to the near perfect 2007 ILR and a wine that has a long future in front of it. Enjoy.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 97 pts Australian Wine Companion, 92 pts/Cellar Selection Wine Enthusiast, 92 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, 92 pts Wine & Spirits

ABOUT BROKENWOOD:

A benchmark Australian winery founded in 1970 by Sydney trio Tony Albert, John Beeston and Australia's leading wine critic, James Halliday, Brokenwood evolved from a weekend venture for these self-professed hobby winemakers into one of Australia's most reputable wine labels. With the appointment of winemaker, Iain Riggs, in 1982, the company extended its range to include the jewel of the Hunter Valley, Semillon and is known for producing one of the nation's most iconic single vineyard wines, The Graveyard Shiraz.



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