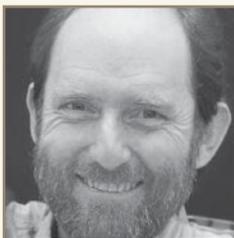


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2013 BROKENWOOD HUNTER VALLEY SEMILLON

WINEMAKER: Iain Riggs
REGION: Hunter Valley, New South Wales
VARIETALS: Semillon
ANALYSIS: 11.0alc/vol | TA: 6.5 g/L | pH: 3.03

BACKGROUND:

Semillon is the traditional, premium white grape of New South Wales' Hunter Valley. This extremely versatile grape variety is typically harvested at a low baume in the Hunter, highlighting its fresh citrus and green apple notes and vibrant acidity. It can be enjoyed young in this style, or with substantial bottle maturation, showing attractive creamed honey and toasty notes when aged for 10 to 20 years.

WINEMAKING:

Harvesting all by hand. The fruit was crushed, chilled and pressed immediately. Neutral yeasts were used for the fermentation to preserve the fresh fruit flavors and avoid phenolics. Bottled in May. No oak and no malolactic ferment, only stainless steel to retain the crisp acidity.

TASTING NOTES:

The warmer weather resulted in a great fruit intensity. The colours in 2013 are outstanding, lots of the luminous green tint. Lifted aromas of citrus/lemon notes. Sweet fruit flavours with great lime juice acidity. This is an outstanding young Hunter valley Semillon and great drinking now or this will age gracefully if a more mature style is desired.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 94 pts The Australian Wine Companion, 92 pts International Wine Cellar, 90 pts/BEST BUY Wine & Spirits, 89 pts eRobertParker.com,

ABOUT BROKENWOOD:

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