



# GOLD LABEL

## PINOT NOIR CHARDONNAY

### 2007

TRADITIONAL SPARKLING VARIETIES PINOT NOIR AND CHARDONNAY PROVIDE THE RIGHT BALANCE OF STRAWBERRY AND CITRUS FRUIT, WHILE AN EXTENDED TIME ON LEES HAS ADDED YEASTY COMPLEXITY AND TEXTURE ON THE PALATE.

Separate parcels of fruit were crafted using different winemaking techniques to provide a variety of blending options. Some fruit parcels were handpicked and whole bunch pressed to add elegance, freshness and delicacy to the base wines, others were harvested during the cool of the evening before crushing to add texture and complexity. Extended yeast lees contact of 24 months and 100 % malolactic fermentation has given greater complexity and flavour to this cuvee. This wine went through secondary fermentation in bottle.



#### WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION	<i>Adelaide Hills</i>
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	<i>In 2007 the Adelaide Hills experienced a dry winter, with only a small amount of January rainfall resulting in lower than average yields. The dry conditions experienced in South Australia did not affect the region as much as others due to the naturally cooler environment and good supplies of local underground water. All varieties performed well; the highlights were Chardonnay.</i>
GRAPE VARIETY	<i>Pinot Noir (53%) Chardonnay (47%).</i>
MATURATION	<i>Extended yeast lees contact of 24 months and 100 % malolactic fermentation has given greater complexity and flavour to this sparkling wine. This wine went through secondary fermentation in bottle.</i>
WINE ANALYSIS	<i>Alc/ Vol: 12.0%</i> <i>Acidity: 6.4g/L</i> <i>pH: 3.16</i>
PEAK DRINKING	<i>Up to three years from its release.</i>

#### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR	<i>The Gold Label Vintage Sparkling Pinot Noir Chardonnay is a pale straw colour with a delicate and persistent bead.</i>
NOSE	<i>The bouquet offers a complex blend of fine citrus and strawberry fruit, with underlying biscotti characters balanced with yeast lees influence.</i>
PALATE	<i>The palate is elegant and creamy with intense strawberry characters derived from quality Pinot Noir. There is excellent line and length.</i>