



Clarence House

Southern Tasmania



This small vineyard is located just north of Hobart on a perfectly positioned north-east facing slope. The beautiful old Georgian homestead of Clarence House was built in 1830 at Clarence Plains, Mt Rumney, has been maintained in its original splendour surrounded by beautiful gardens, and in 1998 present owner David Kilpatrick began planting vines on the north east sloping block facing Mount Rumney just below the Coal River Valley. Over 8ha of the total 12ha of plantings consists of pinot noir and chardonnay, with the remainder including pinot blanc, sauvignon blanc, merlot and tempranillo. Pinot Noir and Chardonnay wines have until 2014 been produced at Winemaking Tasmania. Wines from the remaining varieties have been made by Alain Rousseau at the highly acclaimed Frogmore Creek Wines.

In 2014 a small batch of Pinot Noir from the oldest vines was vinified by Anna Pooley at Pooley Wines who are located just a few minutes north at Richmond. The results were extremely encouraging and from 2015 all Chardonnay and Pinot Noir wines have been made at Pooley Wines.



NV Vivace 100% Chardonnay for this outstanding sparkling wine which has been aged on lees for 3 years. *Bright, green-tinged silver. High-pitched, intensely minerally aromas of white flowers, lime zest and white pepper convey striking clarity and vivacity. Expansive citrus and pear on the palate, but with excellent focus and lift thanks to spice, mineral and tangy peppery notes. The flavours build and deepen into the finish, which is wonderfully fresh and quite long.*

2016 Pinot blanc *Typical aromas of perfumed white flowers and white stone fruits. Light and lively on the palate, displaying attractive inner-mouth perfume and sneaky concentration to its white stone fruit and botanical herb flavours. The finish is bright and long, with a glyceric mouthfeel that leaves an impression of sweetness, though finishing dry.*

2016 Chardonnay *Bright green-yellow colour. Ripe bright aromas of apple, lime, minerals and spices, with a hint of tropical fruits. Then ripe textured orchard fruit with the faintest hint of oak in the background finishing long with fine refreshing acid balance.*

2012 Reserve Chardonnay *Deep, complex nose combines soft citrus scents, lime, fresh herbs, minerals and stone. Juicy, stony and penetrating, with crystalline flavours of lemon and minerals. More complex than the young-vines example, with firm, perfectly integrated acids giving the wine a very brisk character. Stony, long and precise on the aftertaste.*

2011 Reserve Chardonnay *Fresh vibrant citric aromas with hints of herb and spice. The palate shows lively freshness with citrus and orchard fruits following on to a complex layered palate gently framed by subtle spicy nuttiness. Fine fresh and very long finishing.*

2016 Pinot Noir *Deep saturated colour. Captivating aromas of raspberry, dried flowers, spice-cake, soy and loam. Plump, seamless and sweet, with wonderful inner-mouth perfume of floral oils and potpourri. Impressive volume here. Finishes impressively long, with lush tannins.*

2015 Reserve Pinot Noir *Medium garnet red colour. Lifted aromas of spicy red fruits with vibrancy depth and finesse with more of a Burgundian than new world feel. Seamless and vibrant with refreshing lift and just a hint of sappiness that keeps the wine fresh and very long. Very complete and long with beautiful balance.*

2014 Reserve Pinot Noir *Vibrant purple colour with excellent depth. Rich and spicy bramble fruit aromas showing real depth with beautiful clarity. Intense yet with finesse and hints of delicate savoury oak very much in the background. Remarkably intensity and volume here. Finishes very long, with fine svelte tannins.*