

classic coonawarra

## **2020 Bowen Estate Chardonnay**

**Region:** Coonawarra, Australia

Variety: Chardonnay 100%

Estate grown, hand pruned and hand picked.

**Vintage 2020:** We hope that the year 2020 may never be eclipsed. The many issues faced by all

around Australia and the world; covid, fires and drought tested us all. Thankfully here in Coonawarra we felt extremely blessed and fortunate as we were very isolated from these outside pressures. We did experience lower than average yields, which meant during vintage we barely raised a sweat and it was lovely as we were home schooling the children and so they were involved with our harvest. The weather during vintage was glorious with moderate to warm days and ripeness was attained with relative ease. During flowering there were a couple of extremely hot and windy days which hindered fruit set. This was the cause of our lower yields.

Wine: The subtle integration of French oak is seamless from nose to palate. This wine

spent 8 months on lees in new 225 lt. French oak barrels. The wine holds itself well reflecting our usual bright pear and peach flavours, enhancing the oak characteristics. Lovely natural fruit acidity blends with bright fresh flavours bringing balance and length to the palate This is a wine which is drinking well now

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and will develop over the next two years. Compliments most food.

**Drink:** During the next two years.

The Bowen Family is proud to guarantee the origin of this wine.

All grapes used are grown and harvested from our vineyards located on Coonawarra's famous terra rossa soil.