



NAGAMBIE LAKES

TAHBILK



2020 VIOGNIER

WINE REGION:	Nagambie Lakes
FRUIT SOURCE:	Tahbilk Estate
GRAPE VARIETY:	Viognier
MATURATION:	Stainless Steel
ACID:	6.60 g/l
pH:	3.32
ALCOHOL:	13.5% v/v

TOTAL VIOGNIER AWARDS



VINTAGE 2020

There are few Australians who will forget the 2019/2020 summer as bushfires burnt across the Eastern seaboard after a dry winter and spring. Thankfully there were no fires in central Victoria, and although it was smoky at times in Nagambie Lakes, Tahbilk fruit was not affected by smoke taint.

The dry winter and spring had our vineyard staff diligently monitoring soil moisture and irrigating when necessary. January and February saw temperatures fluctuating from blazing hot 40 degrees plus days to very mild 20-degree days. Initially the very hot days seemed to slow the ripening but, similar to recent vintages, we commenced picking in early February. The unforgiving season continued through harvest, with tropical storms resulting in weekly rainfall that, whilst irritating to the Vineyard and Winery crews, was not enough to significantly impact yields or initiate disease.

All varieties came in with excellent colour and flavour and 2020 will be a vintage of very good whites and terrific reds – not unusual for a dry season.

ABOUT THE WINE

Established in 1860, and purchased by the Purbrick family in 1925, Tahbilk is located in the premium central Victorian region of Nagambie Lakes. Originating in Condrieu in France's Northern Rhone Valley, Tahbilk's first plantings of Viognier were established in 1990. The inaugural vintage was released in 1996 to early critical acclaim with the Estate nominated by *Australian Vignerons* magazine as producing one of the 'Benchmark Six' Australian releases. Recognition has also come on the Australian Wine Show circuit with to date 4 Trophies, 23 Gold, 39 Silver and 85 Bronze medals awarded. Tahbilk Viognier releases are considered to be best appreciated as youthful and exuberant wines when their distinguishing floral and stone fruit characters are to the fore.

TASTING NOTE

"Our 2020 Estate whites will be remembered for their lifted fruit intensity, with no better example than this Viognier release. Vivacious ginger, rose petal and citrus blossom aromas are a siren's song temptation to a textural palate of stone fruit and honeysuckle characters. Immediate enjoyment the key to unlock them all."

Alister Purbrick ~ Fourth Generation
CEO and Winemaker