



The Gill family have been generational farmers from day one. Their philosophy is to find ways to regenerate and reuse water, energy and resources on the land. To not only work the land but to grow with it.

Introducing Gill Estate

The Gill family history starts when Billa Gill left India in the 1970s to move to New Zealand, in New Zealand Billa was a man of many trades, including driving taxis, and running a cattle farm. An opportunity to purchase a 32 acre almond property in Red Cliffs arose in 2005 and Billa jumped at the chance.

Billa saw his first season through the millennium drought which hit the farming industry hard and life became challenging, being resourceful and inventive while weathering the seasons with resilience and willpower, opportunities arose to purchase additional surrounding farms in the local area. Which is now the tale of success behind the Gill family enterprise.

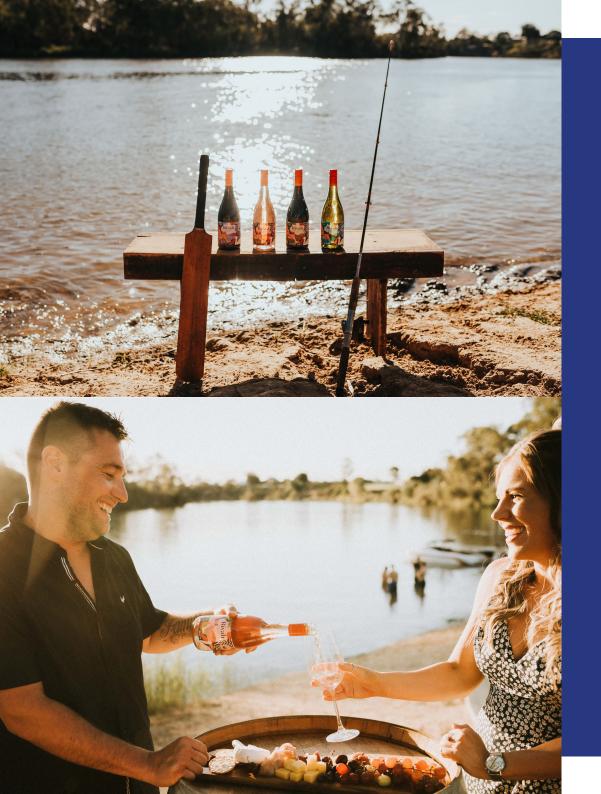
Today, Gill Farms and Gill Estate is a family-owned intertwined business that comprises 2,500 acres and employs 30 full-time team members. Together, Billa (Founder) and his sons Hardeep and Danny (Directors) farm almonds, citrus, avocados, mangoes, and of course the delicate and fruitful wine grapes.

Gill Wine Estate

Gill Estate is a 100% family-owned and operated winery in the Sunraysia region. The Gill family purchased the winery assets in late 2020 and founded Gill Wine Estate with the first commercial release vintage being the 2021 "Rivah" wine range.

The "Rivah" wine range is inspired by the mighty River Murray. It provides life to the area, weaving through picturesque landscapes and farmlands. Sunrises and sunsets are vibrant, flora and fauna is abundant and locals live a relaxed lifestyle. The sunny and warm climate creates the perfect environment for growing quality fruit with distinctive earthy notes, making flavoursome wines.

We focus on producing high quality Victorian wine using traditional winemaking methods.



Our Region

Our winery is based in the Murray Darling wine region, in the Sunraysia sub-region. Spanning over 350kms, the Murray Darling region is inland and runs along the Murray River across both North West Victoria and South West New South Wales. The Gill Estate winery sits in the Victorian part of the region. The Murray Darling is the second-largest wine region in Australia with over 16,000 hectares of vines planted, accounting for 17% of Australia's annual crush.

Our region has been home to more than 40 First Nations for thousands of years. European settlers arrived in the 1850's for farming. The first vines were planted in 1888, after irrigation transformed the area. Our sub-region Sunraysia was named so after a 1919 competition on behalf of the Australian Dried Fruits Association, in which the public were asked to enter names to describe the dried fruits grown in the Mildura area. The winning name was Sun-Raysed which later lent to the region being known as Sunraysia!

The climate is nearly identical across its vast expanse. It is a hot region, with long sunshine hours, low humidity, and low rainfall during growing season, although being inland the nights are cool. The Continental influence is strong, with high shifts in daily temperature ranges, although these are insufficient to make spring frosts a problem. Dry weather during key growing times and harvest ensures consistent quality. Irrigation is necessary in summer when rainfall is low. Disease pressures are generally low. It is the perfect climate, with rich red fertile soils for production of quality wine grapes. The soil is unique to the Murray River system and is known technically as calcareous earth, ranging from brown to red-brown loamy sand, sandy loam or loam.

The top five varieties grown in the Murray Darling are Chardonnay, Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon, Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Grigio. In recent times alternative varieties such as, Lambrusco Maestri, , Barbera, Vermentino and Tempranillo have become more prevalent as they are well suited to the climate.

Mildura sits at the heart of the region. Mildura is a popular tourist destination and vibrant regional city, with wine, food, sport and cultural experiences on the Murray River or in the outback.

RIVAH WINES



Rivah Wines

Estate grown fruit is selected by our winemaker, Janel Carruthers, in the vineyard to ensure ideal harvest conditions and timing to capture optimal fruit flavour producing our quality wines.



"Where the 'Rivah' flows ... "



2022 RIVAH SAUVIGNON BLANC

The Rivah Sauvignon Blanc has wonderful expression, showing regional and varietal purity, a lively wine, pale straw with vibrant green hues, sparkles in your glass. The nose is fresh and aromatic with grapefruit, lifted leafy herbaceous notes. The palate with gooseberry, herbaceous, crisp, refreshing, zingy acidity finish, leaves one looking for more.

Wine Specification: Alc: 11.0% TA: 6.5g/L pH: 3.41 Vegan Friendly





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2021 RIVAH PINOT GRIGIO

The Rivah Pinot Grigio is a fresh savoury wine style which leads with a bright straw colour with some vibrant green tinges. The nose opens with aromas of pear and honeydew, and hints of delicate stone fruits. The palate is soft and smooth, revealing clean savoury flavours, and a lingering balanced finished.

Wine Specification: Alc: 12.5% TA: 6.9g/L pH: 3.48 Vegan Friendly





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2023 RIVAH ROSÉ

The Rivah Rosé is a delicate fresh wine with a very attractive fine salmon pink colour, which suggests soft cherry aromas, with hints of strawberries. The palate is vibrant and refreshing and has delicious berry flavours while finishing with a bright and zesty acidity.

Wine Specification: Alc: 12.8% TA: 5.6g/L pH: 3.25 Vegan Friendly





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2021 RIVAH MALBEC

The Rivah Malbec is a fruit-driven red wine, with vibrant red-crimson colour. The nose opens with fresh, rich plummy aromas, and leads into complex cherry and spice blend. The palate begins with dark plum flavours, which fill out to a mixed berry flavour, balanced with gentle tannins and a subtle hint of oak, to give added length of flavour.

Wine Specification: Alc: 13.0% TA: 5.9g/L pH: 3.69 Vegan Friendly





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2021 RIVAH TEMPRANILLO

The Rivah Tempranillo shows the vibrant red colour for which the variety is known. The aromas start with maraschino cherry and spicey fruits and open out with more fragrant and spicey fruits and a touch of cloves and fresh herbs. This wine fills the palate with fresh juicy berries and sweet fruit flavours, which are balanced with gentle tannins and complex herbal flavours.

Wine Specification: Alc: 12.5% TA: 6.0g/L pH: 3.68 Vegan Friendly





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Welcome to the Rivah range.



Wine	Vintage
2022 Rivah Sauvignon Blanc	2022
2021 Rivah Pino Grigio	2021
2023 Rivah Rosé	2023
2021 Rivah Malbec	2021
2021 Rivah Tempranillo	2021

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