

STORM 9 BAY

Wines with finesse, depth and elegance

Storm Bay 2007 Chardonnay



Label

Storm Bay in Southern Tasmania is the final challenge for the famous Sydney to Hobart boat race. Abel Tasman's first visit to this bay in 1642 was brief, as a large storm brewed, pushing his fleet out to sea before they could shelter in the River Derwent.

Wine

Good ripe fig and stonefruit flavours on top of some nice developing complexity, long and beautifully focused with fresh, clean, citrusy acid making for an excellent and versatile food wine. A real beauty and great with fresh shellfish, richly sauced crayfish and any poultry from chicken salads to Peking duck.

Variety: 100% handpicked Chardonnay
Region: Coal Valley, Southern Tasmania
Winemakers: Alain Rousseau and Nick Glaetzer

2007 Vintage Report

Vintage 2007 was challenging for viticulturalists throughout Australia.

The early onset of winter in 2006 restricted vine carbohydrate storage prior to vine dormancy. Thus the initial spring growth of 2006 was limited, resulting in low bunch numbers. The potential harvest was further reduced by several severe overnight frosts in the last week of October. Compounded with the widespread drought, it was a test of perseverance for many vineyards. Harvest was generally two weeks earlier than average, due to the light crop levels and warm weather during January and February. However, the reduction in grape harvest tended to increase fruit flavours, developing into wines of great intensity.