

Nugan Estate

Drover's Hut Chardonnay

ABV

13.50%

Capsule

Screwcap

Code

NUGDRC

Region and Country

Riverina, Australia

Grapes

Chardonnay

Producer

The Nugan Group began in 1940 when Alfredo Nugan emigrated from Spain to start a fruit and vegetable packing company. Today the estate is managed by Matthew Nugan with Glen Snaidero leading the winemaking team.

Climate, viticulture, winemaking

Today, Nugan Estate owns 590 hectares of vineyards across Riverina, King Valley and McLaren Vale. Premium quality grapes are also sourced from the renowned Coonawarra region. The vines for this Drover's Hut is grown in silty loam and red clay soils located near to the Murrumbidgee River.

Dry warm sunny days with cool nights produce optimum fruit flavours. The fruit is crushed, destemmed and bag-pressed before undergoing slow, cool fermentation in a combination of stainless steel tanks, new French oak and one and two year old French oak. After fermentation, half of the wine remains in oak for a further 12 months maturation, undergoing fortnightly batonage to add complexity and enhance fruit and oak integration, prior to final blending and bottling.



Tasting Notes

Delicate buttery oak aromas blend with a hint of orange peel. A succulent mouthfeel with pleasing flavours of kiwi, peach and melon. Gentle nutmeg and vanilla spice undertones on a warm, ripe juicy finish. Well-balanced with elegant oak influence.

Good to know

The estate filters their own water for use in the winery, waste water is then recycled and used in the garden. The entire winery has been built with carefully selected materials to create a naturally temperature controlled space, reducing temperature fluctuations and energy use.

Vegetarian and vegan friendly.