



NAGAMBIE LAKES

# TAHBILK

EST-1860



## 2016 ROUSSANNE MARSANNE VIOGNIER

WINE REGION:	Nagambie Lakes
FRUIT SOURCE:	Tahbilk Estate
GRAPE VARIETY:	Roussanne 44% Marsanne 32% Viognier 24%
MATURATION:	Roussanne 12 months in second use French oak Marsanne & Viognier Stainless Steel
ACID:	6.2 g/l
pH:	3.28
ALCOHOL:	13.0% v/v

TOTAL ROUSSANNE  
MARSANNE VIOGNIER  
AWARDS



### VINTAGE 2016

Vintage 2016 started dry with only two thirds of the average rainfall for winter recorded, followed by half the usual for September and budburst and then none measurable at all in October. The vineyard managers were watering two weeks before budburst and through to January when a massive thunderstorm dumped 86 mm of rain in just two hours with some parts of the Old Tahbilk vineyards also hit by hail storm damage. Fortunately cool windy days followed with no mould or other diseases evident. The harvest itself was 'compressed' with many of the red blocks going through veraison at the same time as the whites, leading to the same amount of grapes being taken in but in a shorter period of time. Despite the early and quick vintage, the flavours were good with crisp and delicate whites and most reds picked at optimum ripeness showing juicy and bright fruit. Overall a good to very good vintage in terms of quality and quantity.

### ABOUT THE WINE

Established in 1860, Tahbilk is located in the premium central Victorian viticultural region of Nagambie Lakes.

Purchased by Reginald Purbrick in 1925, five generations of the Purbrick family have been actively involved in Tahbilk bringing a tradition of pride, hard work and a love of good wine to their unique heritage of being the oldest family owned winery and vineyard in Victoria.

Tahbilk has a rich history with each of the varietals that make up this release, in particular Marsanne with surviving vines that date back to 1927, to our more recent, yet still significantly mature, Viognier and Roussanne plantings.

With only four vintages released to date, this new to the Tahbilk portfolio triple blend is already gathering an admirable Wine Show record.

### TASTING NOTE

"A seamless textural wine, with notes of spice and ginger, rose petal florals and lifted citrus fruits; the palate has persistent lemon zest and stone fruits with a delicious mineral edge.

Further complexity will be realised with medium-term cellaring of between six to eight years from vintage. Enjoy Now to 2022/2024"

**Alister Purbrick** ~ Fourth Generation  
CEO and Winemaker

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