

PENINSULA

TRUE TO ITS NAME, THE PENINSULA RANGE OF WINES REPRESENTS THE CRITTENDEN FAMILY'S DEDICATION TO OVER 40 YEARS OF VITICULTURE AND WINEMAKING IN THIS COOL MARITIME REGION. PARCELS OF GRAPES HAVE BEEN SELECTED FROM VARIOUS VINEYARDS ACROSS THE MORNINGTON PENINSULA TO PRODUCE VIBRANT AND AROMATIC WINES WHICH TRULY REFLECT THEIR IDEAL CLIMATIC ORIGINS.

CHARDONNAY 2025

VINTAGE

The 2025 season stands among Victoria's best this century. Calm dry weather during flowering delivered ample fruit set – a rare treat compared to that of recent years. Summer then brought ideal conditions: moderate rain, no extreme heat, and steady ripening that preserved acidity, built structure, and intensified flavour. A truly exceptional vintage for whites and reds alike.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was hand harvested and whole bunch pressed to a mixture of one and two year old French oak barriques (225 litre barrels) and puncheons (500 litre barrels) and was allowed to ferment spontaneously using natural yeast. Some temperature control was exerted over the barrel ferments to ensure the retention of clean fruit characters. The wine was stored, subject to a topping regime, in the same barrels for 9 months, where the lees was stirred back into the wine periodically to add to the complexity and richness. Bottled January 2026.



TECHNICAL DATA

VITICULTURE

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| REGION | Mornington Peninsula |
| CLONES | I1OV1 & P58 |
| PRUNING | Spur/cane VSP |
| HARVEST | 21 & 27 Feb, 4 March 2025 |

BOTTLED WINE

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| ALCOHOL | 13% |
| ACIDITY | 7 g/L |
| PH | 3.2 |
| RESIDUAL SUGAR | Dry |
| OAK HANDLING | Aged for 9 months - recently used oak |
| MALOLACTIC | 20% |

No animal products were used in the production of this wine.

TASTING NOTES

NOSE *Fresh melon and white peach with citrus blossom and a faint saline lift.*

PALATE *Lively and finely structured, with a savoury edge and a long, zesty finish.*

DRINK WITH *Grilled prawns, spring pea risotto, roast chicken, tempura.*

CELLARING *Drink now or over the next 5 years.*

RELEASE *February 2026*

RRP *\$39*



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