



*In the days when ballast stone was an important feature of some of Australia's most iconic buildings, the daring Steeplejacks played a crucial role in their construction and maintenance. As skilled craftsmen, they completed the most difficult work on the highest towers, oblivious to vertigo, gravity and mortality.*

## VINTAGE 2019

The 2019 season in Currency Creek turned into one of the most challenging seen for many years. Late winter rainfall assisted with replenishing poor soil moisture levels prior to budburst, but variable weather early in the season impacted on the timing of bud-burst and led to the first challenge to even-ness of shoot.

Flowering commenced with ideal conditions but several weeks of inclement weather events at this critical time deferred the later flowering vines even further.

The season progressed adequately with little rainfall and low disease pressure until late January.

An extreme heat event with temperature's over 40c wreaked havoc with fruit condition. This extreme event was followed by several more hot days which together wiped out 50-75% of the white fruits.

The lack of rainfall late in the season allowed the fruit to be hung out until flavour ripeness caught up.

The resulting wines are very strong with great colour and intensity, although yields are much reduced.

ALCOHOL	12.0%
REGION	Currency Creek
COMPOSITION	Chardonnay 100%
pH	3.21
TA	5.75

## TASTING NOTES

This is a wine for the scribes, pale straw and green hue, aromas of peach, ripe melon and honeysuckle, a full, soft, stone fruit palate of peaches and nectarines intermingled with rockmelon, creamy texture and a lingering lime citrus finish.

**STEEPLE JACK**  
**Chardonnay**  
**2019**

