

MMAD

VINEYARD

BLEWITT SPRINGS



2025 CHENIN BLANC

THE WINE

Complex and intense with lifted notes of honeysuckle and fresh quince. The finely structured palate is shaped by citrus pith, ripe grapefruit and subtle waxy notes. Intense yet restrained, the wine balances layered flavours, phenolic grip and sea spray freshness with mineral tension and bright acidity.

Serving Temperature - 10 – 12°C

Cellaring Potential - Has the concentration and structure to develop fine tertiary characters in bottle over the next 15 years.

ABV - 12.5% pH - 3.31 TA - 5.8

THE SEASON

Good winter rainfall and mild spring conditions supported strong vine growth and ideal flowering, resulting in even bunches. Summer was slightly warmer than average with no extended heat, carrying through to harvest. Rainfall was minimal from summer on, but early moisture was enough to sustain the dry-grown vines. A warm, dry finish gave perfect, disease-free ripening.

THE VINEYARD

MMAD Vineyard has Grenache planted in 1939, Shiraz planted in 1941 and Chenin Blanc from 1964. The vineyard has the fine Maslin sands found in Blewitt Springs, and is exposed to the fresh sea breezes from the south-west. Below the sand is a layer of ironstone pebbles, and this combination of sand, ironstone, and cooling winds gives both perfume and structure to the wines.

THE WINERY

A combination of whole bunch pressed and crushed fruit was fermented in old oak and concrete, before maturation in old French oak puncheons. Time on lees and malolactic fermentation has added texture, balancing the fresh acidity.

THE STORY

The old vines of Blewitt Springs are a precious resource, and an important part of Australia's viticultural history. In early 2021, MMAD Vineyard was purchased by a quartet made up of winemakers Martin Shaw and Adam Wadewitz, and Masters of Wine Michael Hill-Smith and David LeMire. MMAD takes its name from their first initials. The MMAD wines aim to reflect the unique terroir of Blewitt Springs and the rare old vines that thrive there.

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