



# DE BORTOLI WINES

## **ROCOCO**

### **NV BLANC DE BLANC**

### **DE BORTOLI YARRA VALLEY**

The De Bortoli Yarra Valley team has been working on something that is new and interesting. They have come up with a cheeky Yarra sparkling called Rococo. As winemaker Steve Webber describes it: "we were looking at a complex Blanc De Blanc style with lots of lees, a bit of character and plenty of giddy-up".

Rococo is a style of 18th Century European art and design that incorporates highly decorative shell like curves and detail. The name is derived from a combination of the French word *rocaille* (shell) and the Italian term *barocco* (Baroque style).

Rococo Blanc De Blanc combines several European style sparkling wine methods to produce complex leesy but generous style of sparkling wine with similar curves and detail. The packaging also reflects this unique artistic period.

Made from Chardonnay the wine is matured on lees for an average of 18 months. It is a non-vintage product and is a combination of several vintages or years. The blending of the different aged wines gives terrific creaminess and complexity.

#### **Wine Making**

Up to 10 different base wines are made each year from selected parcels of Yarra Valley Chardonnay. Each parcel is whole bunch pressed and the very finest juice from each batch is selected and fermented in old casks. The wines are then allowed to complete malo lactic fermentation in cask and are stirred weekly for 3 months to integrate the fruit, yeast and the textural characters that are contributed by oak.

"The base wines from the current and other vintages are then blended and transferred to tank, where they sit on lees for varying lengths of time. These blended wines are then tank fermented, held under natural pressure from the secondary fermentation and left on the yeast lees for a further 3 months before transferring to bottle."

**Analysis:** Alcohol 12%, TA 8 g/L, pH 3.05, RS 9.0g/L

**Region:** Yarra Valley

**Clone:** P58 and I10V5

**Production:** 60,000 Bottles

#### **RRP:**

\$21.99

#### **Availability:**

Available nationally through selected fine wine liquor stores and restaurants.

#### **Contacts:**

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