



DEEN DE BORTOLI — VAT SERIES —

Deen De Bortoli created his Vat Series with the idea of developing a range of delicious, full-flavoured wines at an affordable price. Deen personally selected the blends and chalked the numbers on the vats to identify them. The Vat Series includes traditional varietal wines as well as wines made from interesting, newer varieties to Australia.

Sauvignon Blanc, Verdelho, Chardonnay, Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Durif (Petite Sirah), Botrytis Semillon

VAT 5 *Botrytis Semillon* 2007



Region

Riverina

Appearance

Mid straw yellow

Bouquet

The nose has fresh lifted aromatics of citrus with peach, apricot and subtle vanillin oak

Palate

An elegant wine displaying citrus, peach and apricot fruit characters, a touch of vanillin oak with a refreshing acidity that gives the palate wonderful length and balances the botrytis sweetness.

Vintage Conditions

A mild summer with no rain until late March which enabled the botrytis growth to begin. Further showers late April and early morning dews kept the botrytis spreading. Harvest began in mid May and concluded early June after good botrytis infections were achieved throughout all vineyards. Baumés ranged from 19° to 24° depending on the vineyard and the percentage of botrytis.

Winemaking

Each year we leave Semillon grapes in the same vineyards for the botrytis to take hold and impart amazing flavours and sweetness to the fruit. The juice is fermented in tank for 4-8 weeks at 13-15°C. Each vineyard is kept

separate during fermentation and maturation, then just prior to bottling the wine is blended with careful consideration of each parcel.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol : 11.0% pH : 3.46 TA : 8.9 g/L

Cellaring

A wine that can be enjoyed immediately and also can be cellared for 2-5 years under good conditions.

Suggested Cuisine

Try with lemon tart, fresh fruits and cheeses

General Characteristics

●●●● Dry / Sweet ●● Body

Julie Mortlock
Executive Winemaker

KEY	● Dry	●● Medium Dry	●●● Medium Sweet	●●●● Sweet
	● Light Bodied	●● Medium Bodied	●●● Full Bodied	