# 2016 Black Label Chardonnay

The Alkoomi vineyards and winery are located in the Frankland River district of Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. The name is taken from local aboriginal dialect and means 'a place we chose' and the logo represents the unique and distinctively Australian Grasstree, *Xanthorrhoea preissii*. The first plantings were in 1971 and the region's long, cool ripening conditions are perfect for growing fruit of intense varietal character.



## Winemaking

After an early morning harvest, the juice from the estate grown fruit was pressed to tank, allowed to settle overnight and then fermented in new, one year old and two year old French Oak. After 8 months maturation on lees, the wine was blended and bottled.

## Vintage

A dry Winter and fleeting Spring was followed by a warm growing season with welcome rainfall in December and January leading to full, healthy canopies enabling excellent yields and great flavour development.

#### Colour

Brilliant pale gold with emerald flecks.

#### Nose

Lifted notes of pink grapefruit zest and fresh ginger with hints of vanilla and cinnamon spices.

## Palate

Concentrated flavours of pink grapefruit and savoury, nutty complexity through the palate. The intensity of the fruit is carried by a creamy texture with a bright and lingering acid profile.

## Cellaring

Whilst ready to drink now, this wine will gain in complexity over the next three to five years.

Alcohol

12.9%

