

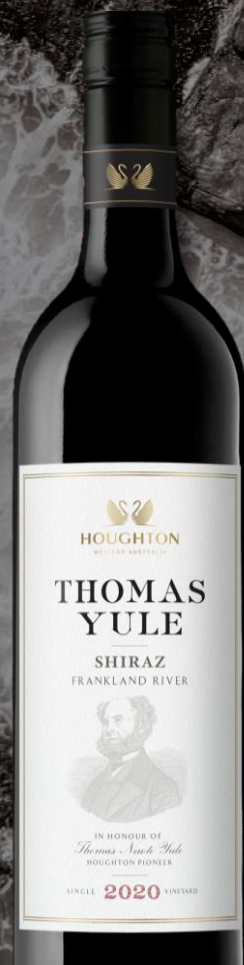
ESTD 1836



HOUGHTON

EXPLORE

Our home, our heritage, our wine.



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This Shiraz honours Thomas Newte Yule, who in 1836 was part of a syndicate of three British army officers who together purchased the northern half of a large land-holding in the Swan Valley. The property was named Houghton after the most senior of the trio – Lieutenant Colonel Richmond Houghton. During Thomas Yule's management, the first vines were established. This Shiraz is sourced from the Frankland River wine-growing region - renowned for producing some of the best examples of Shiraz in Western Australia.

VINEYARD

The Shiraz grapes for this wine are grown in the Justin vineyard in the Frankland River region of Western Australia. Sourced from vines planted in 1970, the fruit contributes to producing a wine of considerable depth and complexity truly reflecting its place of origin.

VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage in Frankland River was marked by persistent warm and dry conditions. A drier than average Winter and little to no rain in Spring in the preceding year resulted in a high quality, low yielding crop. The commencement of the 2020 harvest was the earliest on record. This parcel Frankland River Shiraz from the Justin Vineyard was picked at optimum maturity then made in a way that combines old and new world techniques.

TASTING NOTES

The wine is Brilliant, deep dark red with a luminous purple hue. The bouquet, Brooding, intense and complex aromatics of blueberry, mulberry and boysenberry with hints of black pepper, aniseed, cinnamon and cola. Subtle vanillin and brioche pastry notes derived from French oak maturation complete the picture.

The silky palate is richly flavoured, concentrated and precise. Intense dark berry fruits with clove and cardamom spices and hints of mocha. Soft acid and a very fine but firm tannin structure carry the rich mid palate giving persistence and longevity. A great wine which will continue to develop in complexity over the next twenty years to thirty years.

WINEMAKER
Courtney Treacher

ALCOHOL
13.5%

VARIETALS
Shiraz

VINTAGE
2020

PH
3.35

FOOD SUGGESTION
Enjoy with an Osso Bucco, rare roast beef or venison, char grilled vegetables, hard and mild blue cheeses.

GROWING AREA
Frankland River

ACIDITY
6.30 g/litre