



## Patrick Sullivan 2020 Baw Baw Shire Chardonnay

**Winemaker:** Patrick Sullivan

**Grape(s):** Chardonnay

**GI:** Gippsland

**Site(s):** Bull Swamp Vineyard, Baw Baw Shire

**Vintage notes:** 2020 was one of the coolest and latest seasons in the last decade. Very small yields made sure everything ripened well, in the end!

**Vineyard notes:** All vineyards are farmed biodynamically, in the process of certification. The vines for the Baw Baw Shire bottling are the younger ones in the vineyard, about 20 years old; all are cane pruned, no tillage. Completely dry-grown on volcanic soils.

**Winemaking:** Rigorous sorting of grapes follows harvest. Grapes are whole-cluster pressed to barrique (30% new). Fermentation takes place over 10 days with full malolactic taking place immediately post primary fermentation. Only add is a small amount of sulphur.

**Closure:** DIAM 5 Origine

**ABV:** 12.8%

**LEGEND tasting notes:** A nuanced and subtle chardonnay that presents place more than any particular winemaking slant. The nose is an understated mélange of toasted wattleseed, yellow apple, and lemon aspen (a spongy and floral native citrus). Delicate and intricately-knit palate, persistent and balanced acid, with pleasantly plump fruit weight.

**Label design:** Label art by Helsinki-based illustrator Eero Lampinan. According to Patrick, “the scope was a garden of eden on volcanics. Symbols of the green place in which we live and the rich volcanic soils. I’m not religious but like the story.”

**Production size:** 180 dozen

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