Topper's Mountain

WINE OF NEW ENGLAND, AUSTRALIA



2013 wild ferment Nebbiolo



Our story

Topper's Mountain is named after brothers Edward & William Topper who were employees of George Jnr & Alwyn Wyndham (sons of George Wyndham & founder of Wyndham Estate in the Hunter Valley) in the 1870s. At this time George Jnr & Alwyn were the owners of "New Valley Station" which included the present day "Topper's Mountain". The vineyard was established between 1998 & 2002 by the current owners Mark and Stephanie Kirkby and family.

Our vineyard

We are located near Tingha in northern NSW on the western edge of the New England Tablelands (part of the Great Dividing Range) high above the MacIntyre & Gwydir Rivers. Topper's Mountain is a 10ha vineyard situated at an altitude of 900m on beautiful free draining deep, aged red basalt soils called Krasnozems, a degraded volcanic soil high in iron content. Specialising in Alternate Varieties, the vineyard has larger blocks of Tempranillo, Nebbiolo, Gewurztraminer, Tannat, Petit Manseng, Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay & Shiraz. We also have boutique areas of about 0.3ha of Pinot Noir plus smaller areas of five other varieties Pinotage, Viognier, Touriga Nacionale, Tinta Cao and Barbera. The high altitude, cool climate and specific soil conditions produce grapes of super premium quality.

Tasting notes

Delicate aromas of white damson, rose petal & anise peek through abundant dried fruits & florals. Flavours of robust dark cherry & coconut balance chalky tannins leading to a long, flavoursome finish.

Alcohol: 12.8%

Oak: 18 months in old French barriques

Cellaring: to 2025

Production: Very small — 3,050 bottles produced **Accolades Bronze**— 2016 Royal Sydney Wine Show

Bronze—2016 Royal Ag. Society of Qld, Toowoomba Wine

Show

Bronze—2016 Winewise Small Vingerons' Awards

Vigneron, Mark Kirkby

Winemaker: Mike Hayes