



# Jansz Vintage Cuvée 1996

*The Heemskerk Vineyard was established in 1975 in the heart of the Pipers River region and is the birthplace of Jansz Tasmania. In 1986, Heemskerk was joined by the esteemed Champagne producer Louis Roederer of Reims, France in their pursuit of the definitive Australian sparkling wine. Louis Roederer shared the belief that the climate of the area - so similar to that of the classic wine regions of Burgundy and Champagne - was ideal for the production of finely structured methode champenoise.*



## WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

The 1996 growing season in Tasmania was cool with the Pipers River region experiencing the coolest season in fifteen years. These cool conditions combined with moderate cropping levels to produce Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes with flavour ripeness and excellent levels of natural acidity. The 1996 assemblage is a blend of 59% Chardonnay and 41% Pinot Noir grown in the Pipers River region of North Eastern Tasmania.

## WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

The Jansz Tasmania Vintage Cuvée 1996 is a fine example of great sparkling wine from the North East of Tasmania. A delicate bead and persistent mousse introduce aromas of violets, nougat and toast. The palate exhibits wonderful richness and length with a true creamy mouthfeel due to both the malolactic fermentation of the base wine and the three years ageing on lees in the bottle. The Chardonnay component contributes fig and stone fruit aromas and elegance while the Pinot Noir offers aromas of violets and biscuits and weight to the palate. Finishing with nuances of honey and nuts and a fine citric acidity.

## PRESS REVIEWS / AWARDS

'The pride of the Pipers River district in Tasmania's north east, Jansz continues to be the benchmark for quality sparkling wines in this country. This vintage is a blend of classic varieties - pinot noir, chardonnay and pinot meunier - and its production in the area's cool climate helps to achieve the fruit flavour and natural acidity that are essential for a quality sparkling wine ... highly recommended for drinking pleasure 12 months a year.'

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## VINTAGE INFORMATION

<b>Vintage</b>	1996
<b>Region</b>	Pipers River, Tasmania
<b>Winemaker</b>	Natalie Fryar
<b>Alc/Vol</b>	12.5%
<b>Total Acid</b>	7.7 g/L
<b>pH</b>	3.26

