

Chalkers Crossing



285 Grenfell Road, Young, NSW 2594 **Region** Hilltops

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Winemaker Celine Rousseau **Est.** 2000 **Dozens** 7000 **Vyds** 10 ha

Owned and operated by Ted and Wendy Ambler, Chalkers Crossing's Rockleigh Vineyard was planted in 1997–98. It also purchases grapes from Tumbarumba and Gundagai. Winemaker Celine Rousseau was born in France's Loire Valley, trained in Bordeaux and has worked in Bordeaux, Champagne, Languedoc, Margaret River and the Perth Hills. This Flying Winemaker (now an Australian citizen) has exceptional skills and dedication. Exports to the UK, Canada, Ireland, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Singapore, China, Hong Kong and Japan.

★★★★★ **Tumbarumba Chardonnay 2009** Light straw-green; wow; hits like a percussion

★ bomb on the palate, so intense is it, full of grapefruit, apple and white peach fruit that has soaked up 12 months on lees in French oak barriques; has an exceptionally long palate. Screwcap. 14% alc. **Rating** 95 **To** 2017 **\$22**

Hilltops Shiraz 2009 Deep purple; precision winemaking has highlighted the quality of this estate-grown shiraz, the bouquet an enticing mix of berry, pepper and mocha oak aromas, the supple, medium-bodied palate displaying the wine to maximum advantage. Screwcap. 14% alc. **Rating** 95 **To** 2024 **\$30**

Hilltops Cabernet Sauvignon 2009 Crimson-purple; a fragrant bouquet of cassis and blackcurrant leads into an elegant medium-bodied palate, with fine-grained tannins providing texture and structure from start to finish. Screwcap. 13% alc. **Rating** 95 **To** 2024 **\$30**

★ **Hilltops Semillon 2010** Pale straw-green; barrel-fermented in French oak and kept on lees; some magic here, with the oak totally integrated, the fruit bright and fresh, the oak investing the mid-palate with hints of cashew and cream. Screwcap. 12.5% alc. **Rating** 94 **To** 2017 **\$18**

★ **Tumbarumba Sauvignon Blanc 2010** Partial fermentation and maturation in French oak has added a layer of complexity to a wine that already has delicious tropical passionfruit flavours and a twist of lemon/citrus acidity on the finish. Screwcap. 12.5% alc. **Rating** 94 **To** 2016 **\$18**

Hilltops Cabernet Sauvignon 2008 Bright and clear purple hue; a classic cool-grown cabernet, with an aromatic bouquet and a combination of dusty/earthy and fresh blackcurrant fruit on the medium-bodied palate; fine tannins leave the mouth fresh. Screwcap. 14.5% alc. **Rating** 94 **To** 2020 **\$30**

★★★★★ **CC2 Hilltops Shiraz 2010** **Rating** 91 **To** 2018 **\$18**

★★★★ **Hilltops Riesling 2010** **Rating** 88 **To** 2014 **\$18**

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