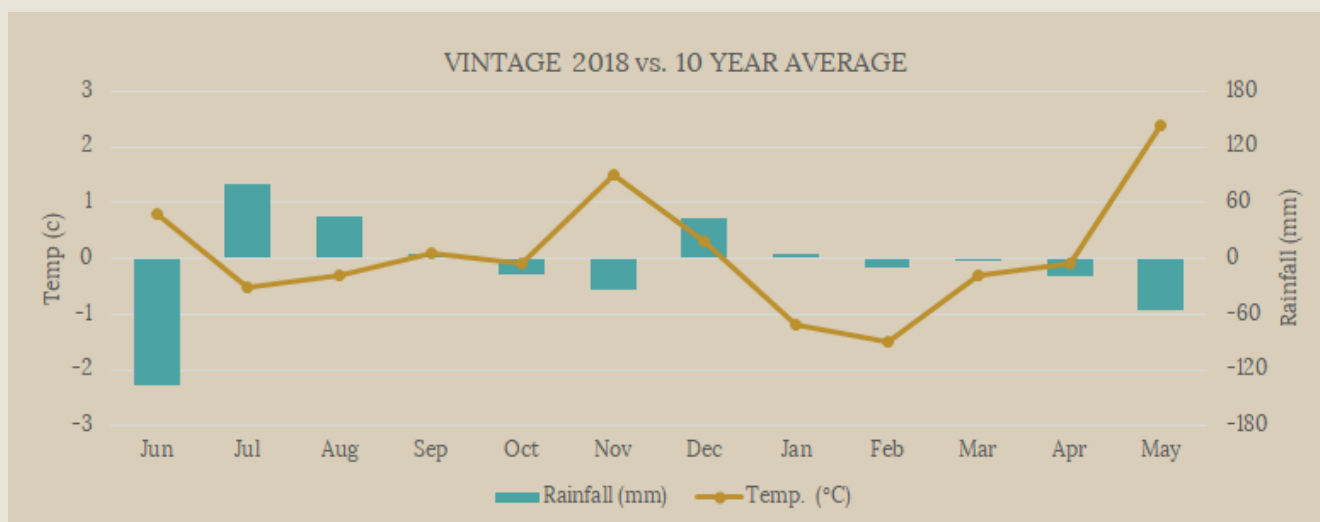


Growing Season

Heavy rainfalls deeply recharged soil moisture levels, allowing blocks with well established root systems to be dry grown for the entirety. The weather was settled during fruit set and moderate crop levels were the norm. While the growing season felt like a cool one, it was in fact warmer across day time average temperatures in the lead up to harvest. We were treated to a spectacular “mega blossom” of the Marri trees, the most blossom in living memory which kept bird pressure to almost zero.

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Harvest Conditions

Vintage timing was average for the region. The only rain event of note was a potential cyclone, however this slipped to the north and we received only a little rain to freshen red vines for the finish. A long, dry, warm Indian summer, with no heat spike events, followed giving one of, if not the best, Cabernet Sauvignon vintages of the decade.

The Wines

Tannins were ultra-fine and perfectly ripe at moderate sugars and with good natural acidity. Colours are vibrant and aromas particularly complex and lifted. 10/10.

VINTAGE 2018 AT A GLANCE:

1,019mm

ANNUAL RAINFALL
JUNE - MAY

25.3C max.

MEAN TEMP
JANUARY

13.6C min.

MEAN TEMP
JANUARY

36,479 tonnes

HARVEST