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Overview

- ▶ **Founded:** 1998
- ▶ **Partners:** Seaton McLean, Sonja Smits, Michael MacMillan, Gene McBurney, Andy Thomson, Bill Fanjoy and Deborah Paskus
- ▶ **Winery Site:** Township of Hillier Ontario, Prince Edward County
- ▶ **Vigneron and Winemaker:** Keith Tyers
- ▶ **Associate Vigneron:** Kimball Lacey
- ▶ **Vintners Quality Alliance (VQA) Appellation:** Prince Edward County. This is Ontario's most northern appellation located at the eastern end of Lake Ontario at a latitude of 44°N. The area relies on the lake to provide a moderated cool climate growing season.
- ▶ **Vineyards:** Single vineyard of 30 acres south facing, limestone-rich soil under vine; planted high density.
- ▶ **Avg. Yield per Acre:** Yields are controlled through thinning prior to veraison

40.6 hL/Hectare Chardonnay
24.4 hL/Hectare Pinot Noir
- ▶ **Soils:** Hillier clay loam, shallow crumbled limestone overlying fractured limestone, pH 7.9, well drained.
- ▶ **Climate:** Cool climate viticulture at the limit of vinifera production in Eastern Ontario. Prevailing southwesterly breezes travel across the Bay of Quinte moderating temperatures throughout the year. These are especially beneficial during the warm summer months, keeping average temperatures around 22 degrees C.
- ▶ **Grape Varieties:** Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, selection massale, rootstock 3309

Winery Production

- ▶ **Capacity:** 4000 cases, currently at 3100 cases
- ▶ **Grape Source:** 75% Estate;
25% Niagara River
- ▶ **Aging:** Vintage dependent, but up to 18 months in barrel.
- ▶ **Barrels:** French Oak
- ▶ **Availability:** On-site, online, and our wine agents: Heather Nichol(BC), Crimson Imports (AB), Sélection Caviste (QC), Dialog Wines(NF), Harvest Wines (NS), and Heavenly Vines (Japan). Limited releases through LCBO, Newfoundland Labrador Liquor Commission and Manitoba Liquor Control Commission.

National Sales Director: Nick Bertrand

Visiting the Winery

- Hours:** Apr – Nov : 11 AM to 5 PM
Dec – Mar : Mon to Fri by appointment;
Sat & Sun 11 AM to 5 PM
Closed Christmas Day to New Year's Day
- ▶ **Tours:** By appointment, 2 weeks advance booking, limit of 8 people.
- ▶ **Tastings:** Wines are available in flights, which change with availability. A nominal fee is charged which is applied to any wine purchase.
- ▶ **Special Events:** Seasonal by invitation.
- ▶ **Media Contact:** info@clossonchase.com
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