

# STAGNES

DISTILLERY AND BARREL HALLS

# XO IMPERIAL 20 YEAR OLD

# AWARDS

Australian Distilled Spirits Awards 2023 - Gold

Royal Australian Spirit Awards 2022 - Gold & R.G. Hardy 'Champion Brandy' Trophy

Tasting Australia Spirit Awards 2022 - Gold & 'Best Brandy' Trophy

Tasting Australia Spirit Awards 2019 - Best Distillery

Australian Distilled Spirits Awards 2021 - 'Best Brandy Trophy Win'

Tasting Australia Spirit Awards 2020 - Bronze

Hong Kong International Wine & Spirit Competition 2019 - Silver

Perth Royal Food Awards 2019 - Gold and Trophy 'Champion Brandy' Trophy 'Champion Spirit'

Tasting Australia Spirit Award 2019 - Silver

Australian Distilled Spirit Awards 2019 - Silver

Hong Kong International Wine & Spirit Competition 2018 - Silver

International Wine & Spirit Competition 2018 - Silver

Australian Distilled Spirits Awards 2018 - Silver

Hong Kong International Wine & Spirit Competition 2017 - **Silver** 

San Francisco World Spirits Competition 2017 - Silver

Hong Kong International Wine & Spirits Competition 2016 - GOLD & Trophy for 'Best Grape Brandy'

International Wine & Spirits Comp. 2016 - Silver 'Outstanding'

Royal Queensland Wine Show 2016 - Silver

Hong Kong International Wine & Spirits Competition 2015 - GOLD & Trophy for 'Best Brandy'

Melbourne Int'l Spirits Competition 2015 - DOUBLE GOLD

International Wine & Spirits Comp. 2015 - Bronze

### REVIEWS

# Australian Financial Review - Tim White - Nov 2016 - 97/100

"World Class - Angove's top-tier spirits are bottled in tiny batches, as you'd expect of brandies with average ages of 20-year-old in Imperial XO (97/100, \$295) and the 40-year-old Grand Reserve (97/100, \$795). These brandies are world class, and about as complex as distillates from the grape can get." "Massive depth here: creme brulee and crystallised bitter orange. A fabulously, complex palate: fruit and nut cake and perfectly-formed phenolics, which gives the "grip" at the finish. Has a delightful, burnished patina about it, as well as concentrated flavour (this is, after all, 20 years in oak). Marvellous stuff, world-class brandy."

## Australian Bartender Magazine - Sam Bygrave - Sept 16

"Deep amber in colour, the St Agnes XO Imperial 20 Year Old boasts a nose that is a myriad of creme caramel, toffee apples, and Christmas cake with underlying chocolate, apricots and almonds. The palate is long with ethereal rancio characters of truffle, walnut, chocolate and poached pear."

# Sydney Morning Herald - Huon Hooke - 11.08.15

"Bright mid-amber colour. Superbly perfumed bouquet, sweetly fruity with dried citrus fruits galore, plus fresh leather, curing meadow hay and subtle spices. The flavour is very intense and penetrating, powerful and elegant. A modern style, and more Cognac-like than a traditional Australian brandy. A touch of headiness is appealing. The palate is refined, elegant and very long, with a clean finish and no rough edges to its spirit, nor oakiness. A superb brandy of great class."

#### Weekend Australian - Max Allen - 08.08.15

"The Imperial is bright and perfumed, with subtle complex flavours of light brown sugar, candied citrus, blond wood and linseed."

