



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

**LARK DISTILLING CO. LIMITED
ORGANISATION CERTIFICATION
2019-20**

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NAME OF CERTIFIED ENTITY: Lark Distilling Co. Limited

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020

Declaration

To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this Public Disclosure Statement is true and correct and meets the requirements of the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard.

Signature:

Date: 08/04/2021

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Position of Signatory: Managing Director



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1. CARBON NEUTRAL INFORMATION

Description of certification

The Australian business operations of Lark Distilling Co. Limited, ABN 62 104 600 544.

Organisation description

Lark Distilling Co. is a spirit producer based in Tasmania, with a Head Office located in the Hobart CBD. Our production facilities are located in Cambridge and Bothwell and we have hospitality venues located on Argyle and Davey Streets in Hobart. We are a producer of Tasmania single malt whisky and Tasmanian gin, as well as producers of hand sanitiser due to the global COVID-19 pandemic.

The Lark Vision

Our ambition is to make Lark whisky a globally consumed, recognised and loved Tasmanian brand icon that celebrates our connection to the craft, the community and each other.

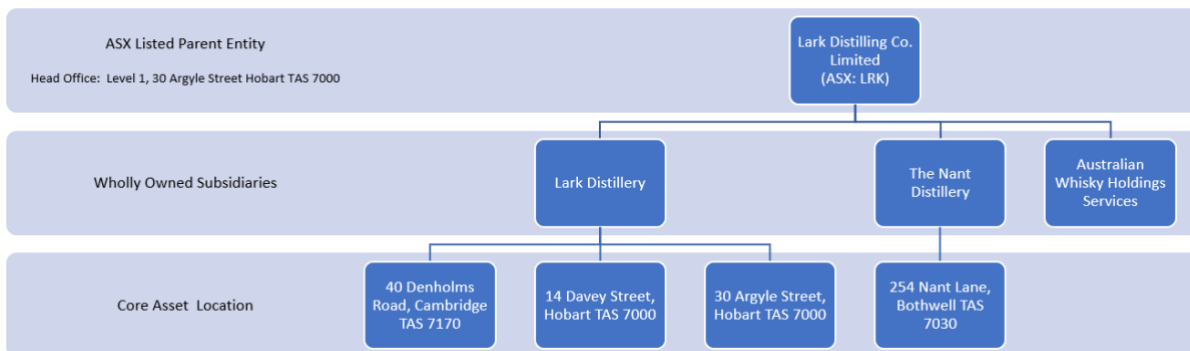
The Reason We Exist

We are custodians of a Tasmanian icon charged with a global vision.

We envision a better future, a better solution and a different approach, one where our journey is about the quiet pursuit of the extraordinary by honouring tradition whilst creating new meaning and layers to the Lark story.

Lark Distilling Co. is an ASX listed company comprising several wholly owned subsidiaries, largest of which are Lark Distillery, The Nant Distillery & Australian Whisky Holdings Services (an employee services entity). Head office for the group is located in Hobart, at 30 Argyle Street, with core assets located at both production facilities; 40 Denholms Road, Cambridge and 254 Nant Lane, Bothwell.

“Tasmania’s climate is extremely important to the way we produce and develop our spirits. At Lark we believe it is our duty to reduce the impact we have on our local climate to preserve the conditions that have shaped our spirits, and brands, in the past so that we can continue to grow them into the future.”



2. EMISSION BOUNDARY

Diagram of the certification boundary



Non-quantified sources

Paper use was considered immaterial and was not quantified.

Data management plan

n/a

Excluded sources (outside of certification boundary)

n/a

“Tasmanian peat bogs rely on the local environment and climate to regenerate and thrive. It is believed that Australia’s peat bogs are existing at the edge of their climatic limits. Combatting Climate Change helps preserve the local peat from which Lark whisky gets its unique smokiness; connecting us to our island home.”

3. EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Emissions reduction strategy

As part of our ongoing commitment to Climate Active, Lark Distilling Co. are seeking to reduce our carbon footprint, per litre of production, by investigating the following schemes:

1. Becoming one of the first enterprises in Tasmania to switch to green gas (2021/22);
2. Review and where applicable replace packaging with more environmentally friendly alternatives (2021/22); and
3. Replacing as much plastic in our dispatch and packing operations with recycled cardboard (2020/21).

In addition, we commit to developing a more detailed emission reduction strategy over the next 2 years.

Emissions summary (inventory)

Table 1

Emission source category	tonnes CO ₂ -e
Accommodation and facilities	6.574
Air Transport (km)	36.445
Cleaning and Chemicals	16.215
Electricity	218.382
Food & Catering	6.904
Horticulture and Agriculture	1.144
ICT services and equipment	2.127
Land and Sea Transport (fuel)	50.131
Land and Sea Transport (km)	60.641
Office equipment & supplies	68.063
Packaging	488.236
Postage, courier and freight	35.737
Products	1.508
Professional Services	89.479
Refrigerants	7.371
Stationary Energy	39.748
Taxi and Uber	0.071
Waste	13.085
Water	9.928
Whisky & Gin Ingredients	317.304
Working from Home	0.730
<i>Total Net Emissions</i>	1,469.823

Uplift factors

Table 2

Reason for uplift factor	tonnes CO ₂ -e
n/a	n/a
<i>Total footprint to offset (uplift factors + net emissions)</i>	1,469.823

Carbon neutral products

n/a

Electricity summary

Electricity was calculated using a Location-based approach.

The Climate Active team are consulting on the use of a market vs location-based approach for electricity accounting with a view to finalising a policy decision for the carbon neutral certification. Given a decision is still pending on the accounting way forward, a summary of emissions using both measures has been provided for full disclosure and to ensure year on year comparisons can be made.

Market-based approach electricity summary

Table 3

Electricity inventory items	kWh	Emissions (tonnes CO ₂ e)
Electricity Renewables	238,935	0.000
Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	0	0.000
Electricity Remaining	1,045,663	1,130.466
Renewable electricity percentage	19%	
<i>Net emissions (Market based approach)</i>		<i>1,130.466</i>

Location-based summary

Table 4

State/ Territory	Electricity Inventory items	kWh	Full Emission factor (Scope 2 +3)	Emissions (tonnes CO ₂ e)
TAS	Electricity Renewables	-	-0.17	0.00
TAS	Electricity Carbon Neutral Power	-	-0.17	0.00
TAS	Netted off (exported on-site generation)	-	-0.15	0.00
TAS	Electricity Total	1,284,598	0.17	218.382
	<i>Total net electricity emissions</i>		<i>0.00</i>	<i>218.382</i>

4. CARBON OFFSETS

Offset purchasing strategy: in arrears

Offsets summary

Table 5

1. Total offsets required for this report				1,470					
2. Offsets retired in previous reports and used in this report				0					
3. Net offsets required for this report				1,470					
Project description	Type of offset units	Registry	Date retired	Serial number (and hyperlink to registry transaction record)	Vintage	Quantity (tonnes CO ₂ -e)	Quantity used in previous report	Quantity banked for future years	Quantity used in this report
Lynwood Human-Induced Regeneration Project (ERF101280)	ACCU	ANREU	04 Feb 2021	3,792,529,012 – 3,792,530,131	2019-20	1,120	0	0	1,120
Northern Savanna Project (ERF 104944)	ACCU	ANREU	04 Feb 2021	3,786,669,330 – 3,786,669,679	2019-20	350	0	0	350
<i>Total offsets retired this report and used in this report</i>									1,470
<i>Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports</i>									0

Co-benefits

Lynwood Human-Induced Regeneration Project

Located in Western New South Wales, this project works with landholders to regenerate and protect native vegetation. The area harbours a number of indigenous plant species which provide important habitat and nutrients for native wildlife. By erecting fencing and actively managing invasive species, the project avoids emissions caused by clearing and achieves key environmental and biodiversity benefits.

For more information visit <https://www.tasmanenvironmental.com.au/offset-projects/bush/>

Key Impacts:

- Emissions reduction
- Wildlife protection
- Habitat conservation
- Improved soil health

Northern Savanna Project

This project provides employment and training opportunities for local rangers while supporting Aboriginal people in returning to, remaining on and managing their country. Communities are supported in the preservation and transfer of knowledge, the maintenance of Aboriginal languages and the wellbeing of traditional custodians. Preventing wildfires also reduces the risk of wildlife loss and protects the areas surrounding ancient rock art sites.

For more information visit <https://www.tasmanenvironmental.com.au/offset-projects/fire/>

Key Impacts:

- Local employment
- Community development
- Biodiversity protection
- Ancient culture site protection

5. USE OF TRADE MARK

Table 6

Description where trademark used	Logo type
ASX Announcements	Certified Organisation
Company Websites (Lark, Nant, FSG)	Certified Organisation

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

n/a

APPENDIX 1

Excluded emissions

To be deemed relevant an emission must meet two of the five relevance criteria. Excluded emissions are detailed below against each of the five criteria.

Table 7

Relevance test					
Excluded emission sources	<i>The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the organisation's electricity, stationary energy and fuel emissions</i>	<i>The emissions from a particular source contribute to the organisation's greenhouse gas risk exposure.</i>	<i>Key stakeholders deem the emissions from a particular source are relevant.</i>	<i>The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.</i>	<i>The emissions are from outsourced activities previously undertaken within the organisation's boundary, or from outsourced activities typically undertaken within the boundary for comparable organisations.</i>
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

APPENDIX 2

Non-quantified emissions for organisations

Table 8

Non-quantification test				
Relevant-non-quantified emission sources	<i>Immaterial <1% for individual items and no more than 5% collectively</i>	<i>Quantification is not cost effective relative to the size of the emission but uplift applied.</i>	<i>Data unavailable but uplift applied. A data management plan must be put in place to provide data within 5 years.</i>	<i>Initial emissions non-quantified but repairs and replacements quantified</i>
Paper	Yes	No	No	No