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## **BIRD NETTING APPLICATION & RETRIEVAL 2012 (effective 1/2/12)**



Don't take chances when you can protect your precious grape crops this season.

Pridham Viticulture has available bird netting application and retrieval services for multi-row drape netting. Equipment available for this service is the reliable Net-Master system. A site inspection will be required prior to providing a price estimate as there is an extensive check-list to complete before we can provide you an estimate of costs for your vineyard.

We can discuss netting options and arrange for the purchase of netting for your vineyard if required.

### **Drape netting cost estimate information for installation and/or retrieval**

Costs per hour

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Net Machine    | \$45.00         |
| Supervisor     | \$40.00         |
| Tractor Driver | \$40.00         |
| Labourers x 4  | \$120.00        |
| Sub total      | <b>\$245.00</b> |
| Tractor        | \$52.00         |
| Total          | <b>\$297.00</b> |

*\*Notes*

*Generally a crew of 6 allows for the Driver, Machine Operator, 2 net pullers and 2 crew to clip or unclip the netting.*

*Unclipping also involves stick removal from drape areas and lifting the nets up off the ground.*

*Area covered per hour depends on row lengths, headlands, obstacles, canopy, row widths, topography, etc – generally 0.4 - 0.6 Ha up to 0.75Ha per hr.*

Cost per Ha with full crew and equipment \$400.00 - \$700.00 average

Transport is \$80.00 both ways – total \$160.00 within the McLaren Vale region

**All prices do not include 10% GST.**