

CHARDONNAY



WINE SPECIFICATION

Vintage | 2020

Grape variety | 100% Chardonnay (Gin Gin clone)

Oak maturation | 10 months in 29% new and 71% 1-4 year old French Barriques

Typical analysis | 13.5% Alc/Vol

Release date | February 2021

TASTING NOTES

Colour | Pale straw with hints of green

Aroma

A rich and ripe Chardonnay with balanced complexity. The wine opens with roasted nuts and creamy lees with subtle flint and smokey-lanolin. There is underlying citrus peel and peach sitting in the background allowing the complexity of the wine to shine through.

Palate

Full with a soft creamy texture and balanced acidity. There is nutty oak with nougat, fennel and peach.

Food matches

Pumpkin ravioli, grilled veal chops.

Peak drinking | Drink upon release or over the following 4 - 5 years.

WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

Viticulture

Our Chardonnay vines were meticulously managed to ensure a balanced crop was ripened during the warm vintage of 2020. Picking of our best chardonnay commenced on the 10th of February and was completed on the 18th of February.

Winemaking

The hand-picked fruit was held in cold storage overnight to eliminate the need for must chilling. After pressing off skins and separating press fractions, the juice was allowed to settle naturally before racking to achieve a desired level of solids. The juice was then transferred to French oak barriques and puncheons to commence fermentation with a mix of inoculated and wild fermentation. Stirring of the yeast lees continued for seven months before the wine was allowed to clarify and rest on lees

Storage/Bottling

Bottled in February 2021 under screwcap into a premium burgundy bottle. This closure should extend the cellaring life of the wine.

CHARDONNAY ACHIEVEMENTS

2019 CHARDONNAY

Decanter World Wine Awards 2020 | **Silver**
Wine Show of Western Australia 2020 | **Silver**
Winestate Magazine 2020 New Release | **4.5 Stars**
West Australian Wine Guide 2021 *Ray Jordan* | **90 Points**
London International Wine Challenge 2019 | **Bronze**
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2020 | **Bronze**
Margaret River Wine Show 2020 | **Bronze**

2018 CHARDONNAY

International Wine & Spirit Comp 2018 | **Silver**
Winestate Magazine 2019 | **4.5 Stars**
Wine Show of Western Australia 2018 | **Bronze**
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**
Sydney Royal Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**
Decanter World Wine Awards 2019 | **Bronze**
London International Wine Challenge 2019 | **Bronze**
Perth Royal Wine Awards 2019 | **Bronze**
Australian Small Winemakers Show 2019 | **Bronze**

2017 CHARDONNAY

International Wine & Spirits Competition 2018 | **Silver**
Decanter World Wine Awards 2018 | **Silver**
Hulon Hooke | **91 Points**
London International Wine Challenge 2018 | **Bronze**
Perth Royal Wine Awards 2018 | **Bronze**
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2018 | **Bronze**
Sydney Royal Wine Show 2018 | **Bronze**
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2018 | **Bronze**

2016 CHARDONNAY

Sydney Int Wine Competition 2017 | **TOP 100**
Sydney Int Wine Competition 2017 | **BLUE GOLD**
Sydney Royal Wine Show 2017 | **Gold**
Ray Jordan Wine Guide 2018 | **92 Points**
Wine Showcase Magazine 2017 | **94 Points**
Winestate Best of WA Tasting 2017 | **4 Stars**
London International Wine Challenge 2017 | **Silver**
International Wine & Spirits Competition 2017 | **Silver**
James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2017 | **90 Points**
Royal Adelaide Show, Wine Show of Western Australia,
Decanter World Wine Awards 2017 | **Bronze**

2015 CHARDONNAY

Royal Adelaide Show 2015 | **Silver**
Wine Showcase Magazine 2016 | **94 Points**
Ray Jordan Wine Guide 2017 | **91 Points**
International Wine & Spirits Competition 2015,
WA Wine Show 2016, Royal Adelaide Show 2016,
London International Wine Challenge 2016 | **4 Bronze**

2014 CHARDONNAY

Wine Showcase Magazine 2015 | **95 Points**
Ray Jordan Wine Guide 2016 | **92 Points**
International Wine & Spirits Competition 2015 | **Silver**
International Wine Challenge 2015 | **Silver**
Royal Adelaide Show 2015 | **Silver**
Royal Queensland Wine Show 2015,
Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2015, Australian Small
Winemakers Show 2015, Rutherglen Wine Show 2015,
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2015 | **5 Bronze**

2013 CHARDONNAY

Sydney International Wine Competition 2015 | **BLUE GOLD**
Winestate Chardonnay Tasting 2015 | **4 Stars**
International Wine & Spirits Competition 2014 | **Silver** *Outstanding*
Fine Wine Club 2015 | **18 - 18.5 / 20**
Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front 2015 | **93 Points**
Hulon Hooke | **92 Points**
James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2014 | **90 Points**
Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2014,
Qantas Wine Show of WA Mount Barker 2014,
International Wine Challenge 2014,
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2014 | **4 Bronze**

PREVIOUS VINTAGE ACCOLADES FOR THIS WINE

Blue Gold 1 | **Gold Medals 7**
Silver Medals 18 | **Bronze Medals 47**

JAMES HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION

2018 Chardonnay - 95 Points
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(*Plus Best of Chardonnay list 2015*) - 96 Points
2011 Chardonnay - 90 Points
2010 Chardonnay - 92 Points
2009 Chardonnay - 95 Points
2008 Chardonnay - 94 Points
2007 Chardonnay - 89 Points
2006 Chardonnay - 89 Points
2005 Chardonnay - 94 Points
2004 Chardonnay - 91 Points