



# YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

**Vintage** | 2025

**Grape variety** | 100% Chardonnay - Gingin clone

**Oak maturation** | 10 months - 42% new and 58% 2 year old French oak barriques and puncheons

**Typical analysis** | 13.2% Alc/Vol

**Release date** | February 2026

## TASTING NOTES

**Colour** | Pale straw-green

### Aroma

Subtle and elegant with aromas of meal and lanolin. There's balanced nutty oak providing support to the peach and lime fruit with an underlying smoky-gunflint character.

### Palate

Long and focused with a light to medium bod, creamy texture and laser like acidity. There's more complexity on the palate with lanolin, nougat, flint, roasted nuts, grapefruit and a slight wood smoke note. The finish is long, firm and refreshing. A pristine yet complex Chardonnay that will age gracefully over the next 10 years.

### Food matches

Pumpkin ravioli, grilled veal chops, cheddar cheese, seafood

**Peak drinking** | Drinking well upon release but has the potential to evolve and impress towards 2036.

## WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

### Viticulture

All the fruit used to make the Yelverton Chardonnay is sourced from our Forrest Vineyard located in Wilyabrup. The grapes are grown with absolute attention to detail. Identification of soil boundaries within blocks is the first step in selecting potentially superior fruit. Close monitoring and analysis of these vines leads to shoot or bunch thinning by hand if required to obtain the perfect balance for good exposure and healthy ripening. A philosophy of minimal inputs in this premium block allows the unique combination of variety, soil type and microclimate to shine through and produce a parcel of fruit with true character. The 2025 vintage was a mild growing season allowing the fruit to ripen slowly which helped to retain fine natural acidity.

### Winemaking

Our Forester Yelverton Chardonnay grapes are hand picked and held in cold storage overnight to eliminate the need for must chilling. All fruit is whole bunch pressed with only the first 500 litres per tonne used to make this wine. The juice is then left to start fermentation naturally in barrel. 22% of the wine was put through malo-lactic fermentation for the sole purpose of reducing the harsh malic acid. The barrels had minimal lees stirring over the 10 months on lees

### Storage/Bottling

The 2025 Yelverton was bottled in January of 2026 to premium Burgundy glass with a stelvins closure. Stored in our temperature controlled cellar prior to release this wine is drinking exceptionally well now and with prudent storage should continue to show well towards 2036.



# YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY ACHIEVEMENTS

## 2024 YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

Ray Jordan Wine Review | **96 points**  
Houn Hooke, The Real Review | **GOLD 96 points**  
James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2025 | **GOLD 95 Pts**  
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2025 | **GOLD 95 Pts**  
Royal Queensland Wine Show 2025 | **GOLD 95 Pts**  
International Wine & Spirit Competition 2025 | **Silver**  
Margaret River Wine Show 2025 | **Silver**  
Sydney Royal Wine Show 2025 | **Silver**  
Wine Show of Western Australia 2025 | **Silver**  
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2025 | **Bronze**  
Melbourne Royal Wine Show 2025 | **Bronze**

## 2023 YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

Decanter World Wide Awards 2025 | **GOLD 96 Pts**  
Wine Show of Western Australia 2024 | **GOLD 95 Pts**  
Ray Jordan Wine Review | **96 points**  
International Wine Challenge 2025 | **Silver 93 points**  
National Wine Show of Australia 2025 | **Silver 93 pts**  
James Suckling Wine Review | **92 points**  
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2024 | **Silver**  
Royal Queensland Wine Show 2024 | **Silver 90 Pts**  
Margaret River Wine Show 2024 | **Silver**  
International Wine & Spirit Competition 2024 | **Bronze**  
Sydney Royal Wine Awards 2024 | **Bronze**  
James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2024 | **Bronze**  
Winwise Championship 2025 | **Bronze**  
Melbourne Royal Wine Show 2024 | **Bronze**

## 2022 YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

Royal Queensland Wine Show 2023 | **GOLD 95 Pts**  
Wine Showcase Magazine 2023 | **GOLD 96 Pts**  
Ray Jordan Wine Guide 2024 | **96 points**  
Sydney Royal Wine Awards 2024 | **GOLD 95 pts**  
The Real Review | **GOLD 96 points**  
James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2024 | **Silver**  
Decanter World Wide Awards 2024 | **Silver**  
International Wine Challenge 2024 | **Silver**  
Wine Show of Western Australia 2023 & 2024 | **Silver**  
Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2023 | **Silver**  
National Wine Show of Australia 2024 | **Bronze**  
James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2023 | **Bronze**  
International Wine & Spirit Competition 2024 | **Bronze**  
International Wine & Spirits Competition 2023 | **Bronze**  
Sydney Royal Wine Awards 2023 | **Bronze**  
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**  
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**  
Margaret River Wine Show 2023 | **Bronze**

## 2019 YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

London International Wine Challenge 2021 | **GOLD**  
Winestate Magazine 2022 New Release | **98 Pts, 5 Stars**  
The Real Review | **GOLD 96 points**  
Australian Small Wine Makers Show 2022 | **Silver**  
Wine Show of WA 2021 | **Silver**  
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2020 | **Bronze**  
Australian Small Wine Makers Show 2021 | **Bronze**  
Wine Show of Western Australia 2020 | **Bronze**  
Decanter World Wine Awards 2021 | **Bronze**  
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2021 | **Bronze**

## 2018 YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

London International Wine Challenge 2020 | **TROPHY - MARGARET RIVER CHARDONNAY TROPHY**  
London International Wine Challenge 2020 | **GOLD**  
Australian Small Wine Makers Show 2019 | **TROPHY - CHAMPION CHARDONNAY OF THE SHOW**  
Australian Small Wine Makers Show 2019 | **GOLD**  
Sydney Royal Wine Awards 2021 | **GOLD**  
Winestate Magazine 2020 Chardonnay Tasting | **4.5 Stars**  
Wine Show of WA 2019 | **Silver**  
Perth Royal Wine Awards | **Silver**  
The Real Review | **Silver 91 points**  
London International Wine Challenge 2019 | **Bronze**  
Decanter World Wine Awards 2020 | **Bronze**  
Margaret River Wine Show 2020 | **Bronze**  
Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2020 | **Bronze**

## 2017 YELVERTON RESERVE CHARDONNAY

Winestate Magazine 2020 Chardonnay Tasting | **4.5 Stars**  
International Wine & Spirit Competition 2018 | **Silver**  
London International Wine Challenge 2018 | **Silver**  
Decanter World Wine Awards 2019 | **Silver**  
Sydney International Wine Comp 2020 | **Finalist**  
Wine Show of WA 2019 | **Bronze**  
Royal Hobart Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**  
Decanter World Wine Awards 2018 | **Bronze**

## HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION

2023 Yelverton Reserve Chardonnay - **95 Points**  
2022 Yelverton Reserve Chardonnay - **95 Points**  
2019 Yelverton Reserve Chardonnay - **91 Points**  
2018 Yelverton Reserve Chardonnay - **93 Points**  
2017 Yelverton Reserve Chardonnay - **95 Points**