

Bouchard Finlayson Missionvale Chardonnay 2007

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Organic in the flavour with a tantalising yeasty complexity. Strong structure with supple fruit flavours followed by a long finish.

Delicious with crustaceans, scallops, rich flavoured fish and bouillabaisse dishes!

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay
winery : Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard
winemaker : Peter Finlayson
wine of origin : Walker Bay
analysis : alc : 13 % vol rs : 2.0 g/l pH : 3.38 ta : 6.1 g/l
type : White **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

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ageing : Very focused with ability to age.

in the vineyard : The name Missionvale stems from the vineyards 1820's history of being home to a Moravian Mission supported Leper Colony. This was led by missionary Peter Leitner who dedicated his life to caring for the infirm in this particularly beautiful part of the world. No remains of the original buildings are evident which points to the fact that they were probably structurally very basic.

All the grapes used in this wine originate from the Domain where a very distinct and specific terroir component reflects true to the type each year.

about the harvest: While the village of Hermanus and the surrounding waters of Walker Bay are famous for the visiting Southern Right whales, I believe it is simply a matter of time before Walker Bay becomes equally famous for its superb Chardonnays!

Low yield characterised this vintage where the grapes were harvested over a three week period. The first pick being particularly early on the 29th January 2007.

in the cellar : Aged in French Oak with new wood component of 30%.



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