

Rietvallei Natural Chardonnay Unwooded 2008

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It is an elegant, fruity Chardonnay with fresh citrus and green apple flavours. The palate is full-bodied with a good balancing acidity and complemented with a lingering, yeasty aftertaste.

This Chardonnay would pair perfectly with fresh seafood, salads and poultry dishes.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : Rietvallei Wine Estate

winemaker : Kobus Burger

wine of origin : Breede River

analysis : alc : 14.23 % vol rs : 4.2 g/l pH : 3.59 ta : 6.6 g/l va : 0.26 g/l so2 :
120 mg/l fso2 : 33 mg/l

type : White **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

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in the vineyard : The Chardonnay vineyards are planted on slopes facing southeast and are situated 152 meters above sea level. The vines are trellised and were established from 1983 to 1999.

about the harvest: The grapes were picked by hand at 23.5° Balling.

in the cellar : The juice fermented in stainless steel tanks at an average of 15° C. After fermentation the wine was left on the lees for 4 months and during this time it was stirred weekly, this process also known as the Sur Lie method. Finally the wine was stabilised, filtered and bottled in June.

