

## Bouchard Finlayson Kaaimansgat Chardonnay 1999

The wine is very much a reflection of the vineyards terroir. The rich mineral and citrus fruits flavour profile has been enhanced with a gentle use of the best French oak. The style of the wine is an exciting move away from new world Chardonnay. A natural match with poultry, game birds and richer fish dishes. The wine's full-bodied flavourful structure makes it an ideal wine for the red meat lover who does not drink red wine.

**variety :** Chardonnay | Chardonnay

**winery :** Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard

**winemaker :** Peter Finlayson

**wine of origin :** Walker Bay

**analysis :** alc : 13.38 % vol   rs : 2.0 g/l   pH : 3.33   ta : 5.9 g/l

**type :** White

**pack :** Bottle

**in the vineyard :** Kaaimansgat literally means "Crocodile's Lair" and is the name of the vineyard that rests high in the mountains at 700 meters above sea level, near the village of Villiersdorp. A more appropriate name would have been 'snowline' since the site is more reminiscent of the Swiss Alps than a typical South African vineyard location!

**about the harvest:** Near perfect grapes were harvested in mid March in cool autumn temperatures. The vineyard is not irrigated; producing grapes that are particularly small berried, providing a high skin to juice ratio, which adds extra flavour components to this delightful wine.

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