

Rickety Bridge Chardonnay 2009

An elegant, lightly oaked Chardonnay with biscuity, citrus and flinty notes on the nose. The palate shows lemon and lime flavours with hints of caramel and lightly toasted oak. The wine has a full mid-palate and long finish of subtle oak spice and ripe oranges.

Poached salmon with caper butter sauce, prawn pasta with chive butter sauce.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : Rickety Bridge Estate

winemaker : Wynand Grobler

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 14.03 % vol rs : 1.8 g/l pH : 3.23 ta : 5.8 g/l

type : White **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure :** Screwcap

ageing : Peak from 2 years, enjoy for up to 5 years.

in the vineyard : 2 hectares located next to the river grown in sandy soils.

about the harvest: Low yield of less than 4.5 ton/ha.

Chardonnay grapes from Rickety Bridge were harvested by hand on 20 February 2009 at 23.7° B.

in the cellar : This wine was fermented in small French oak barrels (15 % new and 85 % older) with the VIN2000 yeast strain. Must was fermented at 14° - 17°C. Lees were stirred up twice daily for 12 weeks after which the wine was racked, returned to barrel and stored at 14°C. The wine was racked on a further two occasions with a barrel maturation time of 11 months.

