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Le Riche Chardonnay 2010

A crisp, lemony freshness is enhanced by balanced lively acidity and firm structure on the palate. Hints of lemongrass and granadella followed by subtle butterscotch flavours.



variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay
winery : Le Riche Wines
winemaker : Ettiene Le Riche
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.14 % vol **rs :** 1.8 g/l **pH :** 3.48 **ta :** 6.4 g/l
type : White **style :** Dry
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : Soil: Hutton soil with gravel
Aspect: West
Distance from the ocean: 20 km
Vine age: 16 years
Altitude: 200 m
Rootstocks: R110

about the harvest: Harvest dates: 20 February

in the cellar : Hand selected grapes were delicately pressed as whole bunches and then fermented in steel tanks and oak barrels. Malolactic fermentation was inhibited to ensure a firm acidity and retention of the fruit flavours.

Maturation:
50% was aged in 50% new French oak barrels. All the wine was aged on the lees for four months before bottling.