

Jordan Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2011

A powerful expression of Chardonnay, brimming with fruit flavour and elegance. A buttery toastiness from the oak rounds off the complex hazelnut and citrus flavours.

variety: Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery: Jordan Wine Estate
winemaker: Gary & Kathy Jordan
wine of origin: Stellenbosch

analysis: alc:13.5 % vol rs:2.1 g/l pH:3.3 ta:6.6 g/l

type:White wooded
pack:Bottle closure:Screwcap

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in the vineyard: Spectacular panoramic views of Stellenbosch and Cape Town, cool hillside vineyards planted to classic varieties, and a modern family-run winery have combined to produce distinctive wines displaying the ripe concentrated fruity accessibility of the New World, with the complex elegance of classic wine.

Harvested from mature vineyards (11 – 25 years old) planted to selected Davis and Burgundian clones. The vineyards are situated on cooler south and east-facing slopes (250 - 310m above sea level). Vertical hedge trellising and low yields ensure a complex concentration of flavours. The vineyards are unirrigated.

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested between 11th February and 2nd March 2011 at between 21° - 24.5°B.

in the cellar: The juice was barrel-fermented in a selection of 228 litre Burgundy-shaped French oak barrels (51% new and 49% second-fill Nevers and Burgundian oak barrels from selected French cooperages). The wine was matured "sur lie" in the barrel for 9 months with occasional rolling of the barrels to accentuate the leesy character. 8% tank-fermented Chardonnay was blended with the barrel-fermented wine to ensure well-balanced citrus flavours. Both the tank and barrel-fermented Chardonnay underwent malolactic fermentation.

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