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Waterford Estate Chardonnay Single Vineyard 2020

The golden hue and subtle green undertones denote the warmer vintage of 2020. The nose follows the look of the wine showing a warm welcoming richness with a lemon-curd undertone serving to add interest to the accompanying light toasty notes. The body of the wine is round and balanced with a fresh acidity bringing tension into the wine while the palate shows honey melon and a rounded toasty oak all balanced by a complex zesty minerality.

Cream and butter-based dishes, complementing and enhancing the wine's texture.



variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay
winery : Waterford Estate
winemaker : Mark Le Roux
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 12.2 % vol **rs :** 1.85 g/l **pH :** 3.48 **ta :** 5.41 g/l **so2 :** 81 mg/l **fso2 :** 28 mg/l
type : White **style :** Dry **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

2020 - Winemag.co.za Chardonnay Report - 91 points
2023 Tim Atkin SA Special Report - 94 points

ageing : 8 - 10+ years from production.

At Waterford Estate, we embrace the harmonious collaboration between nature and the delicate balance of artistry and science to create truly authentic fine wines. Our wines embody a profound sense of place, culture, and an unwavering dedication to excellence.

in the vineyard : The Chardonay single vineyard was planted on Waterford Estate in 1988. This is the only white varietal planted on the estate, and is planted on the coolest sight on the farm on very well suited red clay and granite soil.

about the harvest: The bunches are hand-harvested and whole-bunch pressed in the cellar. This single vineyard requires approximately 8 different pickings to complete the block.

in the cellar : The juice is settled overnight. The clear juice is then racked into 300L French oak barrels for fermentation. After four months, the individual batches are evaluated and blended together before undergoing an additional seven months of ageing.

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