

Jordan Nine Yards Chardonnay 2002

Maiden Vintage

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Butterscotch, spicy cloves, lemon/lime and orange peel with complex mineral citrus flavours. A rich mouthfeel and subtly balanced toasty French oak integrate with the long, tropical peach and melon finish.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : Jordan Wine Estate

winemaker : Gary & Kathy Jordan

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14,5 % vol rs : 2.36 g/l pH : 3.46 ta : 6.45 g/l

type : White style : Dry body : Full wooded

pack : Bottle

The ultimate expression of Jordan terroir. The Nine Yards Chardonnay is made in a Reserve Style, from a barrel selection from our best vineyard site. Stylistically different to our Jordan Chardonnay, with this wine we went to the whole Nine Yards!

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in the vineyard : Situated between 250 and 280m above sea level, this 14 year old, site-specific vineyard is planted to both Burgundian and Davis clone Chardonnay. East-facing Hutton and Glenrosa soils, innovative canopy management and low crop levels ensures that the vineyard produces smaller berries with concentrated citrus flavours.

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested on the 21st and 22nd February 2002 at between 23.7°C and 23.9°C.

in the cellar : Crushed and pressed immediately after de-stemming, the juice was barrel-fermented in traditional 228 litre French oak barrels from selected Burgundian cooperages. Differing stylistically from the varietal Jordan Chardonnay, the wine was matured on lees for 14 months, with regular barrel rolling to accentuate a rich, leesy character. After a light filtration, the wine was bottled on the 9th June 2003. Only 533 cases of 6 x 750ml were made.

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