



## 2019 RESERVE CHARDONNAY

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**Vineyard:** Freedom 75, Naramata and Rockyfeller, Golden Mile

**Blend:** 100% Chardonnay Dijon clones

**Alcohol:** 13.9%

**pH:** 3.33

**Total acid:** 6.38g/l

**Residual sugar:** 3g/l

**Harvested:** September & October 2019

**Bottled:** 11 March 2021

**Released:** 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

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### WINEMAKING

- premium blocks of chardonnay hand harvested and kept separate by clones
- 87% free run juice racked to French barrels and 13% to concrete egg tanks for fermentation
- native yeast barrel ferments ranged from 3 to 9 months in 37% new oak, 32% 1 Year and 31% 2 Year
- concrete egg ferments ran for 4 weeks then transferred to French barrels for maturation
- after 10 months all barrels were tasted and only the best selected for this Reserve wine
- careful blending and light filtration prior to bottling
- aged for a further 5 months prior to release

### TASTING NOTE

The 2019 Reserve Chardonnay exhibits beautiful aromatics fragrant with lavender, white peaches, pineapple and roasted hazelnuts. The palate has great concentration, volume and purity of fruit. Notes of cantaloupe, Herbes de Provence and caramel are highlighted and lead to a complex but focused midpalate. A long finish of wet river stones and croissants is provided with a fine line of acidity. The palate is very rich, honeyed and textural.

This is an exceptional Chardonnay that will age beautifully for the next 5+ years from release.