# 2018 Chardonnay



# **Tasting Notes**

# Vintage

2018

# Cépage

Chardonnay

# Region

Yarra Valley

#### Colour

Golden white

#### **Bouquet**

White chocolate, mint, stonefruit and some spice

#### **Palate**

Mandarin, lemon butter and old spicy wood

# Cellaring

2020 - 2024

# Food matches

Seared or roast shellfish, Sea bass with fennel puree, roast guinea fowl

# Vintage conditions

2018 was a vintage of two halves a cool and relatively moist winter and spring, thereafter conditions were exceptionally dry through to the conclusion of vintage.

# Vinification

100% Estate grown Chardonnay, 100% wild ferment. Four different clones (Mendoza, 76, 95, and 96) were all hand-picked, whole bunch pressed, fermented and matured in French oak barriques (40% new), minimal bâtonnage, with eight months élevage.

# Final Alcohol

13.5%

# **Barrel Maturation**

8 months

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# **Awards History**

# 2017 Vintage

Gold 2019 Victorian Wines Show, 92 Points Nick Butler The Real Review, 93 Points Andrew Graham Oz Wine Review

# 2016 Vintage

94 Points Jeremy Oliver, 94 Points James Halliday

# 2015 Vintage

93 Points Jane Faulkner Halliday Wine Companion