





87 Points (4 Stars) - Wine Orbit, August 2022, New Zealand

WINE ANALYSIS

Vineyard: Seifried Rabbit Island Vineyard

Sugar at Harvest: 23°Brix

Date of Harvest: Mid March 2022

PH of Wine: 3.46 T.A of Wine: 5g/L

Residual Sugar: <1 g/L (dry)

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

THE VINEYARD

The Rabbit Island Vineyard is situated on a wide river flat. The soil is gravelly sandy loam which is very sandy and free draining. These vineyards range in age from six years to 32 years and are about 1.5 kilometres from the sea, which helps moderate temperatures.

WINEMAKERS NOTES

Traditionally Chardonnay is made in an oaked style, however, we are often asked: what does Chardonnay as a grape variety with no oak ageing taste like? This is it!

The Chardonnay for our 2022 Nelson Rabbit Island Chardonnay was picked in pristine health when late summer conditions persisted in to the autumn months. The grapes were then pressed, and the juice was fermented in stainless steel tanks to capture the natural tropical fruit characters of the grape variety, without influence from oak. The wine was blended, stabilised, and finally bottled in its youth capturing the fresh characters of this wine.

TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Rabbit Island Nelson Chardonnay is bright and flavoursome with layers of nectarine and tropical pineapple coming through on the nose and palate. Malolactic flavours and soft acidity lead to a geneous appealing palate.



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