



GREENHOUGH

ROAD BLOCK CHARDONNAY 2023

Mendoza harvested from separate road-side blocks on the Home Vineyard in Hope. A mid-weight, fruit-forward style with just a lick of vanilla cream and spice aromas derived from fermentation and extended lees contact in French oak. Certified organic. Vegan friendly.

AROMA AND TASTE

Youthful in appearance showing hints of lemon yellow. Scents of ripe citrus and fresh fig with a subtle nuttiness. Otherwise quite pure. There's a lively yet graceful feel to the citrus that travels across the palate. Beneath is a core of deeper, fleshier fruits (including ripe apple) which will continue to expand with time. The slightest imprint of oak is essential but the hero of this wine is the fruit from an exceptional vintage. Approachable now, it will continue to build complexity and suppleness.

VINEYARDS

Our vineyards in Hope have been certified organic since 2011 – BioGro NZ 5119. Here, a distinctive inland soil type includes a finer clay loam within its upper profile distinguishing it from the many and varied terraces across the wider Waimea Plains. This denser clay fraction holds moisture and contributes a positive depth and texture to our wines. The looser gravels beneath allow roots to descend and spread freely. Prevailing breezes from the south and north consistently ventilate the vines and moderate temperatures over the growing season.

WINEMAKING

A beautiful growing season, Chardonnay was hand harvested in perfect condition 15-25 March 2023 with moderate sugar levels (averaging 22 brix) and acidity range (pH 3.2 & TA 9 g/l). Gently whole bunch pressed, briefly settled and transferred to French oak barriques and demi-muid (9% new) for fermentation. It remained in barrel on yeast lees for 10 months where MLF completed naturally in spring. Bottled in late February 2024.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Variety: B95, Mendoza, UCD 15
Region: Nelson
Alcohol: 13.18% v/v
Residual Sugar: 2 g/L
Titratable Acidity: 6.2 g/l
pH: 3.3



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