

Waterford Estate Single Vineyard Chardonnay 2014



Cultivars:	Chardonnay
Vineyard:	Waterford Estate, Stellenbosch
Quantity:	3 297 cases
Aging:	8 month, 26% new, 228L, 300L and 500L French oak barrels
Wine Analysis:	Alc 12.51% TA 4.9 g/L RS 1.9 g/L pH 3.48

TASTING NOTE

A brilliant yellow colour with a green hue being characteristic of this single vineyard Chardonnay. Aromatics of peach pip and lemon zest, as well as soft coconut husk and nutmeg notes can be found from the gentle oak usage. The vintage produced a slightly fuller Chardonnay to others due to an overall warmer season. The age of these vines prove to still produce lovely restraint and tightly structured wines, which will benefit from time spent in bottle.

VINTAGE REVIEW

Good long winter, but late rains and cold delaying pruning. Great windless conditions experienced for flowering resulted in a high yield vintage. February temperatures were extremely hot pushing ripening and this made for a quick harvest. Highest recorded tonnages for Waterford Estate. Whites challenging but the red wines have impressed.

