

GRAND BAROSSA CHARDONNAY 2022

Heritage

Château Tanunda was established in 1890 and is the site of some of the very first vines planted in the Barossa in the 1840s as well as the Valley's first winery. The Château is an Australian heritage icon whose grand buildings, magnificent gardens and prime vineyards are owned by the Geber family who continue a tradition of fine winemaking spanning three centuries.

Vineyard

From a selection of vineyards across the Barossa, the grapes are picked at optimal ripeness in the cool of night to preserve freshness and retain optimal acidity.

Winemaking

Our house style is classic and refined, combining both traditional and modern winemaking techniques to make superb handcrafted wines of complexity and intensity.

Tasting note

Exciting aromas of citrus fruits, melon and white peach lead to bright tropical fruit flavours on the palate with a refreshing acidity. On the finish there is a hint of vanilla and cashew nut from partial new French oak barrel maturation. Grand Barossa Chardonnay displays all the delicacy, elegance and finesse that can be achieved from this noble variety.



Alc. 13%

Fermentation

Stainless steel

Maturation

12 months new and seasoned
French Oak

Winemaker

Neville Rowe/Jeremy Ottawa

Cellar Time

Cellar up to 5 years from vintage

Recommended food match

White fish and creamy pasta dishes

Bottled under

Screw Cap

92 POINTS - Ken Gargett, Wine Pilot

The grapes for this wine were harvested early to ensure that freshness and vibrant acidity is retained. Fermentation was in French oak, followed by maturation, where some of the French oak is new. A dilute yellow hue here, there is a gentle nose and even some elegance evident. Quite a refined style, which is not necessarily what springs to mind when one thinks Chardy from the Barossa, but the team have overcome all obstacles. A cracking vintage helps. We have notes of melons, citrus, a hint of apricot kernel and gentle cashews. Even a dollop of the tropicals. Decent length here and good balance throughout. Drink now and at any time over the next three to four years. Impressive stuff.

90 POINTS - Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

Elegantly and charming with white flesh stone fruit, fig, lemon zest and nougat notes on the nose, followed by a beautifully rounded palate offering succulent fruit flavours with creamy texture and bright acidity, finishing supple and elegant. At its best: now to 2027.

90 POINTS - Ray Jordan, Wine Pilot

A generous and flavoursome chardonnay displaying lots of ripe stone fruit with a fine cutting citrus edge. Lemon and lemon with a white peach nectarine thing on the nose especially. Then the subtle oak kicks in on the palate. Fine long finish. Cellar up to 6 years.

93 POINTS - Winsor Dobbin, Wine 100

...this is a well-priced and rather delicious chardonnay that has been picked early to retain fresh fruit flavours and some brisk acidity. Very stylish given its price point, this is surprisingly vital and elegant as well as being extremely food friendly, this is largely unoaked, but a portion was matured in older French oak to add some palate interest and structure. Drink now, chilled, but not too chilled. Pair with some pork chops slathered in mushrooms. A well balanced wine from a good vintage. A solid 93 points from me.

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Ray Jordan

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