

Rosie's Block Amphora Chardonnay 2023

Integrated | Precise | Perfumed

Organically Certified BioGro 5438

Moutere Clay Gravels | Single Vineyard | Low Cropping Hand Harvested | Wild Ferment | Natural Spring Malo 100% Amphora Fermented | Unfined | Vegan | Lightweight Glass Bottle | Solar Powered Winery

"Clay amphora is the vessel but the meat on the bones is the site and (single) vineyard. 93 Points" Mike Bennie, The Wine Front AUS, 2022 Vintage

100% Amphora fermented - an exploration and celebration of our Moutere Clays.

Amphora Chardonnay plays with exquisite tension.

Tension between fruit concentration & rockpool minerality.

Between an intriguing flint and weighty mouthfeel.

Tension in the balance of power & agility.

Tension in its shape, both curvaceous and driven.

However, this wine is in no way, tense. It is graceful, flowing, balletic, genteel, confident and free.

Unshackled by traditional expectations of chardonnay – the result is a contemporary, delicious wine for the chardonnay obsessed or equally the chardonnay averse (apparently that's possible).

An atypical, energetic and captivating chardonnay.

Much like the simple approach to winemaking, this wine should be served with simple fresh seafood and not much faff.

"Real depth and texture... Very seductive! ... The results are very successful.

Serious stuff! 17 Points."

Jancis Robinson MW, 2022 Vintage

"... Nicely integrated flavours and an impressively lengthy finish.

96 Points." Bob Campbell MW





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Vineyard Detail

Site: Rosie's Block - Upper Moutere, Nelson

Aspect: 90m Elveation, North West Facing

Soil Type: Moutere Clay Gravels

Soil Composition: Deep sand loam, with clay

content (19%). Little stone content.

Vineyard Established: 1999

Farming: Dry Farmed, Organic (Biogro: #5438)

Variety: 100% Chardonnay

Clonal Selection: 548, Mendoza

Hand Harvested: 100%

Seasonal Detail: A dry start to the season followed by a wetter than normal November. A welcome change to early summer and autumn where we experienced drier and warmer months (December – April). Minor rain events ensured canopies stayed "refreshed" before a trouble-free harvest period. A generous season producing wines of volume and precision.

Winemaking Detail

Harvest: 21st & 22nd March 2023

Processing: 100% whole bunch press. 48 hour

settling.

Fermentation: 100% Wild Yeast, High solid

fermentation

Fermentation Vessel: 100% Clay Amphora

Maturation: 10 months on gross lees, followed by 2 months on fine lees, in a stainless steel

tank.

Malolactic: 100% natural spring malo

Fining: None Filtration: Coarse Vegan: Yes

Bottling Analysis: 13.5% Alc, 3.28 pH, 6.8 g/L

TA, Dry

Full Bottle Weight: 1,165 g