



PLANTAGENET
WINES
GREAT SOUTHERN
WESTERN AUSTRALIA



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2013 OMRAH CHARDONNAY

WINEMAKER : Cath Oates
REGION : Predominantly from the Rocky Horror and Rosetta vineyards in Western Australia's Great Southern region
VARIETALS : Chardonnay
ANALYSIS : 13.1 alc/vol | 6.1 g/L TA | 3.2 pH

VINTAGE REPORT :

The 2013 growing season was unpredictable, with above average late winter rainfall, followed by a temperature spike mid-August, resulting in an early burst in vine growth. Mother Nature then flippantly about-faced and produced cool weather conditions throughout spring. The sun came out for the summer holidays and a period of 10 days in late January saw unprecedented heat accelerate white grape ripeness to fruition approximately three weeks before the norm.

WINEMAKING :

While Chardonnay from Western Australia is noted for its generous fruit flavors, the cool climate of Great Southern also lends an elegant structure to the richness. The fruit was fermented at cool temperatures in stainless steel tanks after the clean juice is drained/pressed from the skins and pulp and racked off gross lees. Once fermented the wine spends considerable time on its yeast lees with stirring to provide mouthfeel and complexing flinty lees flavors.

TASTING NOTES :

This wine exhibits a wonderful citrus spectrum that ranges from ripe lemons to grapefruit flavors and fine lime. The perceived fruit sweetness to acidity is delicately balanced and supported by a subtle minerality; finished with a crisp, clean finish and a touch of grassiness.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

Not yet reviewed.

ABOUT PLANTAGENET : An historic producer, Plantagenet Wines was the first winery to be established in Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. Named after the local Shire of Plantagenet, the winery was founded in 1968 when English immigrant Tony Smith identified the potential of these wild and remote lands by planting vines on his Mount Barker property. His initial plantings impressed, producing Rhône-style Shirazes and stylish Cabernet Sauvignons, soon to be joined by Pinot Noir, Riesling and Chardonnay. These aromatic varieties thrived in the cool, continental climate, and Plantagenet has gone on to become one of the leading names in the region, as well as a driving force in establishing the Great Southern as a distinctive, quality-focused Australian wine region.



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