



## 2010 INNOCENT BYSTANDER CHARDONNAY

### Review Summary



**91 pts** “Vintage allowing – Chardonnay is going great guns in the Yarra Valley. This is a positive example . . . . It has that lovely sweet pear flavor that Chardonnay does so well – though here it’s admirably tempered by more savory/bitter notes provided by grapefruit and bran. It has a suggestion of smoothness though its largely racy and fruity and refreshing. It’s satisfying in its flavor and once you swallow these flavors persist well. It has a toasty, minerally funk to the aftertaste – ie. it doesn’t lack interest. Not sure you can ask for much more.”

**Campbell Mattinson, The Winefront**  
March 17, 2011

**89 pts** “Very fruity nose offers aromas of nectarine, white peach, pear and tangerine. Bright and juicy on the palate, offering gently sweet orchard and pit fruit flavors and a tangy jolt of lemon zest. Finishes silky and persistent, the pear note repeating.”

**Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar**  
July/August 2011

**89 pts** “The 2010 Chardonnay was matured in mainly older French barriques. It gives a pronounced nose of apricots, pink guava and pineapple with nuances of pie crust and cashews. Medium bodied with a good backbone of crisp acid cutting through the concentrated tropical fruit flavors, it finishes with lingering notes of pineapple and apricots.”

**Lisa Perotti-Brown, erobertparker.com**  
June 2011

**89 pts** “Immediately strikes with a complex mix of butterscotch and nutty stone fruit on the nose plus a distinct wild and funky character emanating from the use of some wild yeasts. The palate has a rich fruit character with only light oak, plus some nice spice mineral edginess to it. Very attractive, especially with spicy food.”

**Ray Jordan, West Australian**  
March 10, 2011

“A tight nose and palate with a seasoning of spicy oak shows good citrus drive and underlying minerality. Good line and length. Quietly impressive.”

**Sarah Ahmed, thewinedetective.com**  
September 15, 2011