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2013 PENLEY ESTATE ARADIA CHARDONNAY

WINEMAKER:	Kym Tolley
REGION:	Coonawarra, South Australia
VARIETALS:	Chardonnay
MATURATION:	$10\ {\rm months},100\%\ {\rm new}$ and seasoned French oak puncheons
ANALYSIS:	13.5% alc/vol 3.08 pH 6.25 g/L TA

VINTAGE NOTES:

An early vintage due to the dry and warm summer. Autumn was warm to mild along with some cold nights. Overall the quality for our 2013 vintage was high.

WINEMAKING:

Aradia is hand-picked and whole bunch pressed which allows us to conserve the delicacy of the varietal. This winemaking technique adds a rich, soft texture displaying roundness to the palate, great length and lingering flavors. A small portion of this wine is also fermented using 'wild' yeast, a new innovation for Penley that sees juice run direct into oak for a natural ferment adding subtle complexity to the structure.

TASTING NOTES:

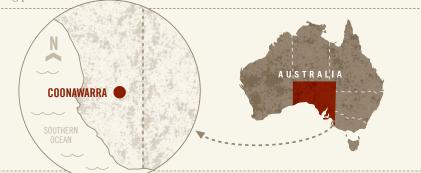
A crisp Chardonnay with fresh fruit characters and soft oak that will allow some maturation in bottle. The color is medium yellow with touches of light green. The aroma is emphasized by melon and fresh citrus fruits with hints of nuttiness and biscuit notes from aging the yeast lees in French oak. A finely layered palate with harmonious and sensuous flavors of melons and grapefruit. The subtle oak enhances the varietal flavors without overpowering them and leads to a silky soft finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

90 pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, 89 pts Wine Spectator

ABOUT PENLEY ESTATE:

Penley Estate is located in the heart of Australia's greatest Cabernet wine region: Coonawarra. Owner Kym Tolley, a direct descendant of the pioneering Penfold and Tolley winemaking families, has more than 25 years winemaking experience, including tutelage under Grange creator Max Schubert. Continuing a family tradition that spans five generations, Tolley established Penley in 1988 on Coonawarra's famed terra rossa soils, with the aim of producing terroir-driven wines of true regional character. Penley is now regarded as one of the region's leading producers.



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