

Valli Waitaki Vineyard Chardonnay 2015

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Viticulture

Location: Waitaki Valley, North Otago

Climate: Maritime-influenced
Clones: B95 and Mendoza

Soils: Limestone-based soil spread through river gravels

GDD: 926

Rainfall: Approximately 530mm per Annum

Vine Age: Seven years old
Yield: 3 Tonnes / Hectare
Vine Density: 4,167 / Hectare

Trellis System: VSP

Winemaking

Harvest Date: 6 May 2015 Brix: 23.1 Whole Bunch Pressed: 100% Peak Fermentation Temp: 18°C Oak Percentage: 25% New 14 Months Time in Barrel: Damy Coopers Used: Fining: None Filtering: Sterile pH at Bottling: 3.41 TA at Bottling: 7.59 Alcohol: 13.5% Total Bottles Produced: 1,074

Tasting Note

Aromas of lemon zest, baked biscuits, flint and a hint of nutmeg reminiscent of old world Chardonnay. On the palate there is a beautiful balance of texture from the lees stirring and length from the wonderful limestone-centric soils of the Waitaki. Concentrated yet refined; full of character yet showing youthful shyness; This Chardonnay highlights the potential in Waitaki for producing world class wines. Made in tiny quantities this wine is a treasure to enjoy now and also worthy of burying away in the treasure chest for a handsome reward in years to come.

Safra 2015. Jantar em 20/08/2018. Rootstock: Pinots da Nova Zelândia.