

Matawhero Irwin Chardonnay 16 (6x750ml) 2016



Category:	WINE		
Style:	WHITE WINE		
Variety:	CHARDONNAY		
Region:	GISBORNE		
Vintage:	2016		
Volume:	750ml		
Vineyard:	Our flagship Irwin Chardonnay is made from 100% Mendoza Chardonnay grapes from the famous Tietjen vineyard on the Golden Slopes in Gisborne. This site has a rich history in producing award-winning Chardonnays for over 20 years.		
Vinification:	Harvested in the cool of the morning, the fruit for this wine achieved superb ripeness after another warm season in Gisborne. The grapes were gently pressed and slightly clarified prior to fermentation. The juice was then inoculated with the indigenous yeast from the vineyard using a technique called Pied du Cuv. Here we pick a small parcel of grapes and crush prior to the full harvest and allow them to ferment on the skins. We then add these back into the juice to ferment the full parcel.		
Appearance:	A lovely golden hue		
Bouquet:	Aromas of ripe stonefruit, floral notes integrated with oak		
Palate:	This flagship Chardonnay expresses a medley of peach and melon flavours, overlaid with toasty oak. A rich, ripe style with finely integrated oak and a taut but harmonious acidity on the finish		
Cellaring:	5-10 years		
Food Match:	SEAFOOD		
Technical Analysis:			
Alcohol:	13.40%	pH:	3.58
Residual Sugar:	1.0 g/L	Packaging:	3 x 750ml
Titrateable Acidity:	5.15 g/L	Hancocks Product:	14745