



SHOTTESBROOKE CHARDONNAY

Vintage 2011 **Variety** 100% Chardonnay **Region** 100% McLaren Vale

Shottesbrooke is a small exclusive family owned vineyard and winery located in the eastern pocket of the beautiful and tranquil McLaren Vale, just 45 minutes from Adelaide. Set in the foothills of the Fleurieu Peninsula the award winning cellar door, opened in 1995, has magnificent views over the gum studded vineyards.

Viticulture

Chardonnay continues to be the most widely planted and successful white grape variety grown in the McLaren Vale region. The fruit for the Shottesbrooke Chardonnay is all grown on the estate vineyards, immediately surrounding the winery at McLaren Flat. The soils are deep loam of moderate fertility. Careful vineyard management with minimal input ensures low yield of high quality.

Winemaking

Picked at full maturity, the juice was clarified prior to fermentation. 70% of the finished wine was left on yeast lees for 9 months to encourage flavor and texture development, whilst the remaining wine was matured in new, 2 and 3 year old French Oak hogsheads and barriques. The wine has been bottled under screw cap to protect its flavors from spoilage by cork taint.

Tasting Notes

Colour

Pale straw with a green tinge developing to green gold with age.

Nose

Powerful peach and melon fruit aromas complexed with subtle spicy oak. Opulent and flavoursome with primary fruit aromas dominant.

Palate

Fruit flavours dominate the palate while tight grained oak provides background and complexity. The mouthfeel has a texture derived from extended time on lees and shows persistence and length with a refreshing finish.

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Bottling Date January 23 2012

Technical Details

Specific Gravity	.9896	(FREE) Sulphur Dioxide	38 mg/L
Alcohol	13.0 v/v	(TOTAL) Sulphur Dioxide	106 mg/L
Volatile Acidity	0.39 g/L	Residual Sugar	1.4 g/L
Titrateable Acid	5.76 g/L	pH	3.31



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