

# NEPENTHE CHARDONNAY

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### WINEMAKING

The grapes are handpicked in the early hours following sunrise and transported to the winery. It is then pressed very gently with the juice allowed to settle before transferred to French oak barrels to develop for 9 months, with regular stirring. Every barrel is then tasted and classified; only the finest are selected to bear the name Ithaca.

### THE WINE

Region	Adelaide Hills, South Australia
Bouquet Palate	The aromas are powerful and complex with pure fruit characters of white peach and lemon curd complemented by complex secondary aromatics of nutty oak. Generous palate weight. Flavours of white nectarine are followed
	by more secondary characters of oak and lees. Exceptional length
	and good natural acidity.
Food Pairing	Perfect with a traditional roast chicken or roast pork with apple
	sauce. Also, good with chicken risotto and rich seafood dishes
Cellaring	4-6 years, with age the wine will continue to soften building in body,
	texture and complexity.

### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

ALC: 12.5% PH: RS: g/L TA: g/L



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