



## 2017 Apex Chardonnay

### Our finest expression of the Adelaide Hills

Apex represents Nepenthe's dedication to regional excellence by providing a unique single clone, single site, single vintage snapshot in every bottle. Underpinned by craftsmanship and provenance, minimal intervention winemaking allows the nuances of site and clonal complexities to be highlighted, while maximising varietal purity.

#### WINEMAKING

Sourced from the iconic HSV Vineyard in the Adelaide Hills, the fruit from this single vineyard was picked in the cool of the night, gently pressed and transferred to new fine grain French oak to ferment. After fermentation the wine was batonnaged (lees stirred) for 3 months, left to mature for a further 10 months before being clarified and bottled and allowed to settle before release.

#### THE WINE

Region	Adelaide Hills, South Australia
Vineyard	HSV Vineyard
Clone	Bernard 76
Bouquet	A lively nose of white peach and nectarine with hints of sweet spice and cashew nut.
Palate	Concentrated flavours of stone fruits with a hazelnut complexity. Sweet spices shine through on an incredibly textural mid-palate before. Generous length and elegance with a persistent zesty finish.
Food Pairing	Seafood dishes including white fish, prawns or a creamy pasta.
Cellaring	5-7 years

#### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

ALC: 12.5%    PH: 3.31    RS: 2.2g/L    TA: 7.7g/L

