



## Coldstream Hills

### Reserve Chardonnay 1999

Coldstream Hills wines show the conviction of James Halliday, who chose the Yarra Valley as the place where he would grow and make wines of great elegance and intensity. The steep slopes beneath the winery grow grapes with great depth of flavour, whatever weather each individual vintage brings, enabling us to bring you consistent quality and character.

#### Vineyard Region

Yarra Valley

#### Vintage Conditions

Bizarre summer weather, with alternating heat and deluge, led into a wet vintage. The early varieties, including chardonnay, ripened remarkably well, particularly in the eastern part of the valley which largely escaped the rain.

#### Grape Variety

Chardonnay

#### Maturation

Barrel-fermented and matured for nine months in 50% new and 50% used French oak barrels.

### Winemaker Comments: Andrew Fleming



#### Colour

Pale to medium yellow



#### Nose

Fine and reserved yet intense on the nose, with hints of melon and quite perfumed, nutty oak complexity.



#### Palate

In the mouth, the wine is distinctly Yarra Valley and Coldstream Hills, starting very fine and filling out across the palate as the warmth from the alcohol lifts the flavour. It finishes softly, with well-balanced acidity.

#### Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 13.5%  
Acidity: 6.00g/L  
pH: 3.39

#### Last Tasted

1 Jan 2001

#### Peak Drinking

Now - 2005

#### Food Matches

Ideally suited to Seafood,  
Salad, Chicken

