

## Coldstream Hills

## 2012 Rising Chardonnay

Coldstream Hills prides itself for having access to many of the best vineyards in the Yarra Valley. These sites are found throughout the upper and lower Yarra Valley with each vineyard providing a range of unique characteristics to the wines.

Back in the late 1980s, James Halliday introduced single vineyard wines to Coldstream Hills and demonstrated their unique styles. The tradition continued in 2009 with the release of the Single Vineyard range.

## Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

Vintage conditions: The growing season was characterised by late spring rainfall followed by relatively warm and dry conditions. The vineyards responded accordingly with healthy canopies and vigour.

## **Technical Analysis**

Harvest Date 7-8th March 2012 pH 3.32 Acidity 7.1g/L Alcohol 13% Residual Sugar 0.79g/L Bottling Date 21st February 2013 Peak Drinking Now to 2021 **Maturation** This wine was fermented and matured on lees for nine months in French oak – sixty percent new with the remainder in seasoned French oak barriques and puncheons.

Colour Pale straw with trace green.

Nose Attractive stone-fruit notes of peach and nectarine are evident with underlying mineral and slaty notes. French oak enhances the wine beautifully adding further complexity to the wine.

Palate Harmonious and pure, the palate displays attractive characters of peach and nectarine underpinned by beautifully integrated French oak. Slate and mineral notes are evident adding further complexity to the wine. True to style, the wine has great texture and finishes with beautifully balanced acidity.