

Coldstream Hills

2013 Rising Vineyard 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 demonstrating their unique styles. The tradition has continued with the release of the Single Vineyard range.

Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

Vintage conditions: The growing season commenced with below average spring rainfall followed by a dry and warm ripening period. Average yields, combined with healthy vine canopies resulted in early flavour development in most vineyards and a compressed harvest intake.

Colour Straw with trace green.

Nose Attractive stone-fruit notes of nectarine flesh and quince are evident with underlying mineral and slate. Ripe and complex, the wine is supported by seamless French oak and grilled nut barrel fermentation.

Palate Harmonious and very true to style, the palate is generous with a complex array of stone-fruit, quince, mineral and slate. The wine is very textural with barrel fermentation and lees aged characters underpinned by seamless French oak. Mouth-watering acidity harnesses the palate, giving it focus, balance and length.

Maturation This wine was fermented and matured on lees for nine months French oak – forty two percent new, with the remainder in seasoned French oak barriques and puncheons.

Rising Vineyard, St Andrews

Grower: Neil and Elizabeth Roberts

Block: Birdwood **Vines planted:** 1991 **Clone:** Penfolds 58 **Aspect:** South facing

Soil: Mudstone rubble over clay

Technical Analysis

Harvest Date 11th March 2013

pH 3.29

Acidity 6.5g/L

Alcohol 13%

Residual Sugar 0.6g/L

Bottling Date 25th February 2014

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