

# Coldstream Hills

## 2024 Deer Farm 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.

### Deer Farm Vineyard, Gladysdale

Blocks: C East, C West, B & E

Vines planted: 1994.

Clone: I10V1

Aspect: South facing

## Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

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**Vintage conditions** A relatively warm start to the growing season with high rainfall, but generally fine conditions during flowering. An unseasonally wet January ensued easing to fine, warm and dry conditions resulting in an early and relatively compressed harvest period. Acid retention was high particularly across the white varieties.

### Technical Analysis

**Harvest Date** 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024

**pH** 3.04

**Acidity** 7.6 g/L

**Alcohol** 13.5 %

**Residual Sugar** 1g/L

**Bottled** February 2025

**Peak Drinking** Now - 2035

### **Grape Variety**

Chardonnay

**Maturation** Fermented and matured for eight months in seasoned and new (41%) French oak puncheons and barriques.

**Colour** Vibrant pale straw with trace green tinge.

**Bouquet** Elegant and expressive, with aromas of lemon meringue, white florals and almond nougat underpinned by subtle mineral slate and restrained French oak.

**Palate** Vibrant, layered and pure, with lemon/lime citrus notes supported by nougat, beautifully integrated French oak and subtle mineral slate. Elegant and textural with juicy acidity and classic Upper Yarra length of flavour.