

2006 DAYLESWOOD UNWOODED CHARDONNAY

VINTAGE: 2006
VARIETY: Chardonnay
CLONE: V1
REGION: Myall Park, Riverina
WINEMAKERS: Sam Trimboli

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alcohol: 13.5%
PH: 3.24
Total Acid: 6.83g/l

VINTAGE REPORT

A mild and wet winter continued through spring with higher than average rainfalls. These good spring conditions ensured a good fruit set and vibrant, healthy vine growth. Unseasonally very hot and dry conditions prevailed through December until after harvest which curtailed the promising yields. Vintage began approximately two weeks later than the previous year with the Dayleswood Chambourcin starting on Feb 15 and the first whites i.e. Dayleswood Chardonnay, starting on Feb 22. Harvest weather remained hot and dry where Dayleswood concluded the 2006 vintage by March 15.

VINIFICATION

Harvested towards late February at an average of 13.5 baume. The grapes were crushed and de-stemmed to an incline drainer. Only the free run fraction of the juice was used to make this wine. From the drainer the juice was transferred to stainless steel tanks and cold settled at 8 degrees Celsius for 48 hours. The clear juice was racked to refrigerated insulated fermentation tanks, yeast inoculation was immediate and fermentation was maintained between 12 and 15 degrees Celsius and lasted three weeks. The wine was then stabilized in the same tanks they were fermented in. When the lab blend was finalised by the winemakers, the wines from the different tanks were then filtered and blended as per the winemakers instruction.

TASTING NOTES

White to medium straw in colour with light and ripe lemon hue. Fragrant tropical aromas with fresh green apple and lemon rind characters are lively on the nose. Rich melon fruit and butterscotch flavours extend well onto the palate, with a delightful creaminess before finishing crisp dry and flavoursome.

FOOD RECOMMENDATION: Clam, garlic and chilli linguine or chicken stuffed with ricotta and spinach.

CELLARING: Drink now, short term cellaring, 0 - 3 years.

WINEMAKERS QUOTE: "Delicious Easy drinking style suitable for any occasion. Soft and quaffable never any disappointment!"

