2012 HEYTESBURY CHARDONNAY



The WA Wine Guide Ray Jordan 97 points

Another outstanding chardonnay under this label which is now firmly among the region's elite chardonnays. It continues the fine and leaner style established a few years ago, with slightly more richness than the 2011. Love the restrained minerally grapefruit characters with its cashew and brioche influences. The palate builds beautifully to the finish. Outstanding.

Wine Australia Le Judgment de Montreal Top 10 Chardonnays. Ranked #3

Australian Chardonnays took the top four slots in the 3rd annual Le Judgment de Montreal, the high profile annual wine tasting with Quebecs private import association, RASPIPAV, loosely based on the reenactment of the famed 1976 Judgement of Paris wine tasting. Thirty wines were tasted by fourteen judges, who are among the most influential industry professionals in Quebec.

Decanter Wine Awards

Gold Medal

Decanter World Wine Awards 2014.

100 Best Australian Wines Matthew Jukes 100 Best Australian Wines

In 2012 this is a wine that has thrown away its corset in favour of a more natural feel. The fruit is pliable, curvy, tender and heaving with yearning. It seems like it scarlet days are long gone and this eager wine has blossomed into a full blown A-list heroine. You will never forget this flavour - it is a fulcrum moment for Vasse Felix.

James Halliday's Top 100 Wines James Halliday 97 Points

The pale bright green hue is a come-hither start, amplified by the complex bouquet and even more complex palate, with all the hallmark Margaret River DNA multilayered depth to its cavalcade of stone fruits and barrel ferment inputs. Despite all this, there is bell-clear line of high tensile acidity refreshing the finish

Wine Business Magazine

97 Points

Breathtaking focus and purity, capturing exquisite fruit and presenting it unashamedly with all the complexity of skillful craftsmanship. Delightful refinement and grace, yet still inimitably concentrated Margaret River Chardonnay.

Decanter Magazine

Nomination - Best Chardonnay in the World (outside of Burgundy)

Sprightly lime and tropical fruit aromas and a dash of oak - stylish. Good depth of fruit on the palate with lemony acidity and length. Made to evolve with a fine future.

Jancis Robinson.com Julia Harding MW 17++

64% new oak. Current release (Jan 2014). Blast of lemon fruit at the moment, stone fruit and pineapple. Bit of bacon fat. Always like this early in bottle, apparently. Then the fruit rides down and the savoury character comes up. Mealy, leesy texture and flavour underneath. Drink 2016-2025

