

## 2015 FILIUS CHARDONNAY



The West Australian Wine Guide - Ray Jordan Ray Jordan

91 points

Pure and vibrant expression of chardonnay at what is the entry level for Vasse Felix these days. Crunchy with a vibrant minerality and pristine fruit definition. Such fine delicate lines persistent through to the long finish.

James Suckling James Suckling 93 Points

A chardonnay with focus and precision. Full body, layers of fruit that are compressed with bright acidity. Persistent and beautiful finish. (2014 Vintage)

## Generous, yet refined

'Son of' the Vasse Felix Chardonnay and made with the same winemaking philosophy. It has a generous, yet refined fruit profile, from parcels grown in each of the Vasse Felix Vineyards. Made since 1990.

The Wine Front Gary Walsh 87+ points

The entry level Chardonnay in the Vasse Felix trio. It's pretty racy in style, and light on too. Has a slight lettuce and mint character over mixed citrus, and some butter to smell, less so to taste. Tart and tangy, all green apple and citrus, and kind of abrasive and edgy. The shape of it is pretty good, but the finish is quite green. I don't think your average Chardonnay drinker will love it so much; Sauvignon fanciers might be happier with it. Suspect it will be a better wine with another year in bottle.

## Country Life

## **Fresh**

Is a beautiful greenish-gold colour and has fresh acidity and an almost Puligny-Montrachetesque refinement.

Cameron Douglas MS (New Zealand) Cameron Douglas MS (New Zealand) 94 points Ripe and fruit centred bouquet with noticeable new oak showing juicy, nutty vanilla tones, light salty tone and Burgundian-like mineral tones; overall complex. On the palate - firm, fruity, fleshy and dry; flavours of citrus then stone fruit with grapefruit and lemon tones then peach and apple; medium+ (ish) acidity accentuated with new oak and fine tannins; a youthful wine overall. The combination of flavours and textures show a balanced and well made example that will stand the test of time if cellared well. Lengthy finish. Drink now and through 2028.

Decanter James Button

89 points

This Chardonnay evokes the rich style of barrel fermented white Rioja, with its citrus, caramelised apple and oak aromas and intense fresh green and baked apple fruit flavours. A good level of acidity pierces through the richness, making this an approachable wine. There is a sweeter tangerine note to the finish.

Vinous - Josh Raynolds Josh Raynolds 90 Points

Pale yellow-gold. Pear skin, melon, orange pith, chamomile and tarragon on the perfumed nose. Juicy and precise on the palate, offering vibrant citrus and orchard fruit flavors underscored by a vein of smoky minerality. Becomes deeper and smokier with air, finishing with very good energy and firm mineral bite.

