

CHAIN
OF
PONDS



Corkscrew Road

2016 Chardonnay

Adelaide Hills (Kuitpo)

VINEYARD

Selectively handpicked from the Berry vineyard at Kuitpo in the southern Adelaide Hills which is one of the oldest Chardonnay plantings in the Hills. A North Facing Aspect with East-West row orientation and an elevation of 380m with soils of sandy loam over siltstone, Clone is I10V1 and the canopy is managed with strict vertical shoot positioning. The block produces lifted wines with richness, elegance and good linear acidity. The vineyard is trained in a strict VSP and grown to produce the balance between fruit exposure and just enough leaf shading to protect the fruit from the heat in the middle of the day.

WINERY

The grapes were whole bunch pressed and gently squeezed to retain all of the delicate varietal characters. Fermented completely in 100% French oak barrels with a portion on full juice solids with partial wild fermentation and the other partially clarified and fermented with a Burgundian yeast isolate. The wine underwent 10 months maturation on yeast lees with lees stirring for 6 months in oak to add depth and creaminess.

COLOUR

Pale green straw with youthful green hues.

BOUQUET

Elegant lifted nose displaying primary fruits of peach, rock melon, roast figs and hints of citrus and fresh apple. Secondary characters of subtle spicy oak and hints of buttered toast.

PALATE

Good balance of upfront generous stone fruits, melon, citrus and apple supported by integrated savoury notes and a subtle creaminess on the finish. Balanced firm linear acidity with a gentle textural palate shows exceptional fruit length and great intensity with balanced oak.

CELLARING

1-5 years.

MATCH

Scallops with sweetcorn puree and pancetta crumb

WINE ANALYSIS

Winemaker: Greg Clack
100% Chardonnay
Bottled: January 2017
Alcohol: 13.5%

Acid: 7.4 g/L
pH: 3.10
Residual Sugar: 2.8g/L
Sulphur: 83 mg/L