

Aotearoa Chardonnay Symposium 2024

Day 1 Session 1 Wine 7

Winery	Ata Rangi
Viticulturist	Ben and Helen Masters
Winemaker	Helen Mastsers
Wine	Ata Rangi Masters Chardonnay 2022
Region/Appelation	Wairarapa
Sub region(s)	Martinborough
Wine RRP \$	\$80
Cases produced	122



Wine Analysis

рН	3.23
TA	6.4 g/L
VA	0.43 g/L
DCO2	
Alcohol %	12.4%
RS	<1.0 g/l

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Tasting Note

A full and inviting nose of white peach, grapefruit and lemon pith, with highlights of fresh chervil. The palate is precise and detailed, but also openly inviting with apple, lemon, floral notes that flow into fantastically driving finish. Crystalline and etched, this is a very elegant, vibrant Chardonnay with a fine-grained, flowing texture. Focussed, tight and refreshingly pure on the finish.

Vineyard/Vintage Notes

The vineyard is certified organic. Cool wet vintage. Powdery had to be carefully controlled.

Winemaking Notes

Juice to barrel, left to start fermenting without innculation. Monitored temp and brix daily. Chaptilised in two lots at around 17 brix and 7 brix.

Accolades/Reviews

#	1	2	3	4
Block/Parcel Name				

Vineyard, Block or Sub-Block

% of Blend	80%	20%	
Clone	Mendoza	cl 15	
Rootstock	101-14	101-14	
Soil Type	alluvial gravels mixed with clay	alluvial gravels mixed with clay	
Vine Age	23	23	
Years in Production	17	17	
Other			

Yield Management

Target T/ha	4.5			
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Actual T/ha	4.6		
Vines/ha	3800		
Kg/vine	1.2		
Irrigated?	no		
Type e.g. above ground / subsurface			
Other			

Vine Management

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Pruning method	2 cane VSP	
Pruning (buds/m)	12	
Canopy density (shoots/m)	12	
Shoot thinning	yes	
Crop thinning (% removed)	yes 3%	
Kg/m fruit		
Leaf plucking	minimal	
Timing of leaf plucking	2nd week December	
Timing of crop thinning	green thinning	
Fruit exposure achieved %	20	
Date of flowering	14th November	
Date of fruit set	1st December	
Days between flowering and harvest	126	
Other		

Harvest

Date	19-Mar		
Brix	20.5		
рН	3.1		
TA	8.21		
Malic Acid			
YAN			
Method of Harvest	hand		
Fruit condition	need to pick out Botyritis		
Field Additions	none		
Other			

Pressing Yes/No and details. Reasons why?

Additions to fruit (pre-pressing)	none
Destemmed	none
Whole Bunch	yes oressed
Crushed	no
Press Type	Europress
Wash	?
Press fractions	go to barrel during pressing so first barrels free run later barrels pressing
Press rate L/tonne	640/T
Hard pressings, kept /downgraded	hard pressing to separate barrel
Juice additions, types and rates	none
Gas cover, inert	no
Hyper Ox, timing	no
Settling. Time, temperature	no
Direct to barrel	yes
Juice NTU (if known).	
Other	
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Fermentation Yes/No and details. Reasons why?

Vessel Type(s)	300L barrels
New oak, % and type	25%
Temp Control. Target temp or rate	minimal
Wild ferment, % of blend	yes 100%
Inoculated. Yeast used and rate	no
Nutrient Additions. Type, rate, timing	no
Oxygen Additions. Timing, rate	no
Enrichment. Target Alc %, timing	yes chaptilised to 22 brix
Acidification. Target pH/TA, timing	no
MLF. Inoculated / natural, timing	natural in spring
Warming for MLF	no
% MLF in blend	100%
Other	

Post Ferment / Finishing Yes/No and details. Reasons why?

only occasionally during ML
no
no
12 months
6 months
no
0.5g/l
yes 3 weeks at 0
course only
28
60
rock stopper
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