

2016 Southern Cross Hawkes bay Chardonnay

Region: Hawkes Bay

Vintage: 2016

Vineyard: This wine is from Chardonnay grapes grown in our Kinross and Riverview vineyards in Hawkes Bay.

Winemaking: The grapes for this wine were harvested and transported to our Riverview winery. The fruit was pressed into stainless steel tanks. A combination of tank and barrel ferments using a range of yeast strains including PDM, VL1 and Maurivin "Fusion". Following fermentation the wine was inoculated for Malolactic fermentation. The wine was then transferred to our Katikati winery for finishing and bottling.

Contains: Sulphites, fined using milk products, traces may remain.

Alcohol: 13.0 % v/v

Standard Drinks: 8.0

pH: 3.38

Total Acidity: 5.6 g/L

Residual Sugar 2 g/L

Description: Aromas of citrus, toffee apple and rock melon. Subtle oak adds a cashew complexity.. This wine is freshly textured with great length and a mineral complexity.

Food Match: Superb with chicken, smoked fish, and pasta dishes.

Cellaring: This wine is drinking well now but will cellar for up to five years.