



M·A·N Family Wines Padstal Chardonnay 2020



Roadside Padstals or “farmstalls” offering a range of farm produce and crafts are popular throughout South Africa. From simple shacks to elaborate venues, you’ll drive out of your way to find your favourite.

Winemaking

Our Chardonnay is fermented in a combination of stainless steel tanks (+/-80%) and American and French oak (+/-20%). The grapes were hand harvested at between 22.5 and 23.5° balling, then pressed and settled. Barrel maturation with lees stirring for 3 months. To preserve freshness, the tank fermented portion had no malolactic fermentation. After 6 months, the tank and barrel portions were blended together and the wine was fined and filtered before bottling.

Vineyards

Sourced from selected vineyards in the Agter-Paarl region. Our Chardonnay vineyards are approximately half bush-vine (untrellised) and half trellised vineyards. Soils are mainly Malmesbury Shale without irrigation, producing naturally low yields of ripe, flavourful grapes. The shale soils add a touch of elegant minerality and fresh, cleansing acidity.

Technical details

Blend: 100% Chardonnay

Grape source: From two dry-land vineyards in Agter-Paarl

Closure: Screwcap

Barcode: EAN 6009669350475

Alc: 13.5% **RS:** 4.6 **TA:** 6.3 **pH:** 3.51

Wine description

This elegant Chardonnay has a delicate balance of fruit flavours and a light touch of oak. Pale straw in appearance, the wine has pleasing orange marmalade, pineapple and butterscotch aromas. The palate boasts hints of citrus, lime and stone fruit flavours. Will pair well with rich and creamy dishes, curry, poultry and seafood.

Vintage

2020 was a warm and dry season producing smaller berries with enhanced flavour concentration. Warmer day-time temperatures combined with cooler night-time temperatures resulted in perfect fruit quality showing good flavour intensity and fresh acidity. This season produced a healthy and disease-free crop, resulting in wines with intense aromatics and great texture on the palate.

The Integrity and Sustainability certification seal

- The vintage, variety and origin on the label are correct
- The wine has been produced sustainably, in an environmentally-friendly manner
- The wine can be traced back all the way from the vine to the bottle
- It was bottled in South Africa – so it is 100% South African

