

AMATO VINO

2022 Bianco

Chardonnay / Verdelho

Chardonnay ex Rosa Brook blended with Verdelho from Treeton brings a creamy-yet-zesty sunshine wine of immense smashability.

Both varieties were separately picked, de-stemmed and pressed before beginning natural fermentation in aged oak. A couple of the Chardonnay barrels were allowed to go through malo-lactic fermentation before sulphur addition. The wines were left on low sulphur to allow some oxidation to occur and develop the textural, skinsy nature of the style. All barrels were then matured on light lees until final blending and bottling in September.

A bright gold appearance, the wine leads you through an array of tropical notes: banana, honeydew melon, lychee, mandarin skin, cashew nut, jasmine flower, and a touch of Shortbread Cream. Juicy and moreish, a touch of lemon leaf, slate, lanolin and earthy spice (lemongrass, cut green chili).

Creamy is the hallmark of the palate, yet bright and bouncy where it needs to be, up front. Bassy Chardonnay – minerally, lemon and beeswax, with the treble of Verdelho – melons, spice and florals.

Getting into it... white peach and citrus, lime and grapefruit, with oily phenolics backing up the rear giving the wine a nice long textural ride to your destination.

Enjoy with or without food. Perfect with Thai beef salad.
Organically produced. Vegan Friendly

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Handling:	All parcels machine picked, pressed to tank, with a portion of Chardonnay kept on skins for 5 hours prior to pressing
Fermentation:	All parcels wild fermented in French oak
Pressing:	Tank pressed to oak
Maturation:	Matured in oak on light lees for 6 months
Filtration/Fining:	None
Bottled:	September 2022
Alcohol:	13.3%
Ingredients:	Chardonnay and Verdelho grapes, Sulphur Dioxide
Wine Status:	Vegan
Production:	222 dozen
Vineyard:	Verdelho – Woodlands Vineyard, Treeton, in the mid-eastern region Chardonnay – Rockfield Vineyard on the eastern edge of Wallcliffe subregion
Soil:	Verdelho – sandy topsoil, lateritic gravel, clay subsoil Chardonnay – Ironstone gravel over clay
Elevation:	Both approx. 75-100m
Planted:	Verdelho – 1990 Chardonnay – 1990's

