



Atticus Chardonnay 2008

Our Story...

As a wine retailer and lover of fine wines, Ron Fraser recognised many years ago the potential of the Margaret River region to produce great wine. He decided in 1987 that this was where he wanted to make world-class wine and build a wine company which would be recognised as one of the major producers in the Margaret River region creating exceptional wines.

After a long search for the perfect location, Ron finally found a vineyard that he believed would produce the premium-quality grapes he needed to support his vision and planting commenced in the newly established Chapman Grove Vineyard in 1997. After selling fruit to the local wineries for the first five vintages, Ron felt that the vines were mature enough to start to produce high-quality fruit. With Winemaker Bruce Dukes, he set out to craft the unique wines that he felt the vineyard was capable of producing. In 2006 the first Chapman Grove wines were released onto the market.



Varietal - 100% Chardonnay
Vintage - 2008
Region - Margaret River, WA
Oak - French
Time in Oak - 9 months
New Oak 50%, 2nd Use 50%

Our Vineyard...

The Chapman Grove vineyard is located 10km south east of the Margaret River township on a combination of north and south facing slopes. During the growing season we have lovely cool nights which means day temperatures do not get too high and enables us to achieve full physiological ripeness in our fruit, giving us beautiful aromatics a natural acidity in our white wines and lovely perfumes and elegant tannins in the reds.

Tasting Notes...

Enticing aromas of spiced French pear and nectarine on the nose with notes of savoury nutty oak on the palate encased in lashings of ripe supple fruit. Minimal winemaking interference shows through in its purity of fruit, with interesting complexity in the form of its seamless structure and heavenly marriage of fruit and toasty oak. As always with our Atticus Chardonnay, this is Burgundian in style with a focus on elegance, finesse and a lovely lingering finish. Our Atticus wines are held back for around 4 years after bottling before release. Drink to 2018. *Alc/Vol 13.2% Screwcap*

Awards

James Halliday Wine Companion 2011: 94 Points
Bronze Medal Perth Royal Wine Show 2010

James Halliday
Australian
Wine Companion

★★★★★
5-star winery