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# 2011 Blue Label Chardonnay

Soil: free draining, deep loam/sand

Oak: fermented in older French oak, aged on lees for 12 months

Colour: light straw with green tinge

Nose: Almond, pear and mineral flint, citrus and cream

Palate: Creamy melon fruit with almond and green pear characters.

A generous palate with subtle oak toast and freshly baked bread

dipped in new season olive oil

Elegant and Chablis in style

### **Vintage**

The 2010-11 season commenced as per normal in the Hunter with a late August start. Lots of rain during spring. Veraison commenced just prior to Christmas and the harvest was rain free. The white harvest was impacted to a degree by the heat but all fruit was harvested. Reds ripened well and were picked through February with no concerns.

### **Tasting**

15/10/12

#### Style

Our light, fresh style of chardonnay; lively fruit flavours with a crisp creamy palate.

## **Tasting Notes**

New-age Chardonnay. The perfect see-saw of citrus, flecked spiced peaches and a deliciously creamy mouth feel.

### **Food Match**

Enjoy Scarborough Blue Label Chardonnay with crustaceans, white-fleshed fish, risotto and pasta with mild sauces.

### **Cellaring**

Drink now or over the next year to enjoy the fresh crispness of this wine.

## Winemaking

This wine was made from fruit sourced from sandy loam soils from the upper Hunter Valley. Generally picked a bit greener to allow for a tighter structure in the resulting wine, the grapes were picked Friday 4th Frebruary 2011. The fruit was handled reductively through the crushing and de-steming process into the press. Juice extraction was around 690 litres per tonne. The juice was drained into stainless steel and cold settled. Fermentation was started with cultured yeast in tank and then the ferment was transferred to older Fench Oak Barrels. Once fermentation has finished the wine was left in barrel till January 2012, we stirred the Lees (yeast) monthly. The wine was bottled July 2012.

Alcohol: 13.4 pH: 3.17 T.A: 7.3 gm/L

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