



Kumeu River

Kumeu River Coddington Chardonnay is a standout expression of New Zealand Chardonnay, offering richness and elegance with its vibrant fruit character and well-integrated oak. It represents the epitome of single-vineyard winemaking from Kumeu River's celebrated Coddington Vineyard.

Coddington Chardonnay 2020

Auckland, New Zealand

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James
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Alcohol :13,50 %

Composition: 100% Chardonnay



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James Suckling (JS) : 97 Points (2020)

This is a wine of real purity and elegance with fresh sliced peaches and lemons, as well as some light pastry notes. The palate is fine, unwaveringly long and pure with enlivening acidity through the finish. Stunning. Drink or hold



Wine Enthusiast (WE) : 96 Points (2020)

New Zealand's Chardonnay expert has knocked it out of the park with its stellar 2020 vintage. Coddington shows intensely concentrated peach and apricot fruit accompanied by toast and vanilla with a mineral backbone. It's the richest in the stable, but is beautifully balanced with integrated oak, length and layers. An elegant and ageworthy wine that's a bargain compared with the price of Premier Cru Burgundy of similar ilk.



Robert Parker (RP) : 95 Points (2020)

The 2022 Coddington Chardonnay leads with lemon balm/oil, green-olive brine, crème brûlée top (a.k.a. scorched brown sugar), peach fuzz, and an abundance of orchard fruit. In the mouth, kiwi fruit acidity (a.k.a. juicy, sweet, tart) defines the perimeters of the flavors and beckons you in for another, closer look. It's very, very good, a distinct wine, pure, all aspects delineated and deliberate. I like this. It feels orderly and mathematical. If the wine had a sound, it would be a straight-pace bowl at the wickets, one flying out of stumps (name a better sound, I'll wait). It's not that immediately obvious, though; it builds and takes a while to assert itself, and I like that too. Very good.



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