



Dalrymple

Known for its richness and texture, the Cave Block Chardonnay captivates with its creamy palate and lingering finish, making it a standout choice for lovers of structured, cool-climate Chardonnays.



DALRYMPLE
PIPERS RIVER *Tasmania*



Alcohol :13,00 %

Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Cave Block Chardonnay 2019

Tasmania, Australia

Region and Vineyards

The **Dalrymple Cave Block Chardonnay** is produced from a single vineyard in the **Pipers River** region of Tasmania. This specific vineyard block benefits from a unique microclimate, slightly warmer than the surrounding area due to its **shelter from north-westerly winds**. The **basalt-rich soils** provide excellent drainage and encourage deep vine rooting, allowing the vines to access water during dry conditions.

This vineyard's **deep loam soils** and old vines contribute to naturally high acidity and concentrated fruit flavors. The combination of **cool maritime influence** and a warmer microclimate helps create a Chardonnay that is both elegant and richly textured.

Winemaking

The **Dalrymple Cave Block Chardonnay** is crafted with meticulous care. The grapes were **hand-picked** to preserve their quality, followed by **whole bunch pressing** to extract delicate juice. The wine was then fermented in a combination of **new and older French oak barrels** for 11 months. A portion of the wine underwent **wild fermentation**, which adds complexity, and the use of **malolactic fermentation** helped to soften the natural acidity, bringing balance and structure to the wine.

Lees stirring during maturation contributed to the wine's creamy, unctuous texture, enhancing its complexity and length on the palate.

Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Pale gold.
- **Aroma:** Aromas of white peach and fresh ginger, with subtle notes of leatherwood honey.
- **Palate:** A complex, creamy, and richly textured palate with an unctuous mouthfeel, balanced by the signature **linear Tasmanian acidity**, leading to a fresh and lingering finish.



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Did you know?

The **Cave Block** at Dalrymple Vineyards is known for its **low yields and steep slopes**, which result in intensely concentrated fruit. First planted in the 1990s, this block has become one of the estate's flagship sites for producing high-quality, cool-climate Chardonnay that can age gracefully for up to **10 years** or more.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Abalone ravioli:** The wine's creamy texture complements the delicate flavors of abalone.
- **Crayfish risotto:** The rich, buttery texture of the risotto is enhanced by the Chardonnay's complexity.
- **Cannellini bisque with porcini mushrooms and thyme:** The earthy mushrooms and herbal thyme pair beautifully with the wine's fresh acidity and creamy mouthfeel.



Robert Parker (RP) : **92 Points** (2019)

The 2019 Cave Block Chardonnay is mineral and fine, and it has a saline countenance about it, fishing with a soft, talcy, Disprin edge. There are notes of white peach, green apple, crushed shells, a hint of mustard seed and curry leaf—all good and delicious things. Plenty going on.



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