

CRAFT
FARM

**2016
CHARDONNAY**
HOME VINEYARD

Craft Farm wines are single site expressions that showcase the essence of place.

- Vineyard: Craft Farm Home Vineyard
Location: 247 Napier Road, Havelock North, Hawke's Bay.
Owners: Antony & Fiona Mackenzie Partnership
Viticulturist: Ant Mackenzie
Established: 2010
Varietal: Chardonnay
Clonal selections: UCD 15, Entav 809.
Area: 0.5 Hectare; 2.5 m rows x 1.5 m spacing; 2 single cane cordons.
Soil: Heretaunga Plains Soil Classification: 3 and 6 Sand and Sandy Loam
Winemaking: All grapes were harvested on one day and whole bunch pressed to tank for brief settling. After 12 hours the still cloudy juice was transferred to barrel (2 x 300L and 2 x 225L, 30% new) for a natural fermentation. After going through 100% malo-lactic fermentation the wine was aged on its full lees, without sulphur, for nine months. Prior to bottling the components were blended together, filtered and then bottled without fining or stabilisation.
Technical details: pH 3.44 | TA 4.92 g/L | RS 1.0 g/L | Alc 13.0 %
Quantity: 1200 bottles
Tasting note: Elegant and mineral aromatics of gunflint and grape-fruit along with savoury oak notes. Some toasty brioche nuance along with subtle crème caramel notes.
The palate shows good weight and a fine acid structure which draws the flavours across the palate. Lovely toasty and savoury notes come through but not at the expense of the fruit expression.
A full-bodied and pure expression of Chardonnay which will match most rich seafood and white meat dishes.
Expect this wine to develop toasty and mineral notes under its natural cork closure.



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