Reserve Chardonnay

2019



94 POINTS

Josh Raynolds Hughson | Best Press

September 2022

98 POINTS

Ray Jordan | Wine Pilot

July 2023

The basis of this memorable chardonnay is the best batches of fruit from the original Lagan Estate vineyard. Power and poise are captured expertly with clever winemaking. The cooler vintage has certainly influenced the structure and intensity, with a more subtle understated expression. Yet as the wine begins its journey along the palate it starts to release its payload. Impeccably balanced with cashew, butterscotch brittle, and roasted cashew flavours faintly evident. Complex with a minerally lingering finish.

98 POINTS

Tyson Stelzer | WBM

July 2021

Fully blocking malolactic fermentation in the cool 2019 season in the Margaret River is the stuff of hero's (or fools), but such is the sheer presence of this Gingin clone in the fabled Lagan vineyard that this wine finds an effortless balance and glorious appeal in the midst of disarming tension and mesmerising concentration. There is not a molecule out of place in this harmonious union between pristine fruit, glorious texture and that acidity.

97 POINTS

Erin Larkin | Halliday Wine Companion

August 2021

As ever, sophisticated, lithe, glassy and svelte. Through the lens of the cool 2019 vintage, this wine has a scintillating energy, the acid jolts a burst of life onto the tongue, stinging it into life. The length of flavour goes on and on. Xanadu chardonnays have a proven track record of graceful ageing in the cellar, often not truly coming into their own until 3+ years after release. Pedigree, in a word.

96 POINTS

Huon Hooke | The Real Review

July 2021

Light, straw-colour, with a subtle grapefruit aroma swaddled in a smoky, nutty barrel derived nuances, the palate briskly tart with the elevated acidity and citrus characters that are almost strident. Lemon grapefruit, accompanied by a tangy acidity that seems a trifle disconnected. Sill very impressive. Tremendous focused intensity. Its a bit young to drink solo, but has great potential. Give it time to settle and you'll have a spectacular chardonnay.

94 POINTS

Campbell Mattinson | The Wine Front

July 2021

Such a lean, long style of chardonnay. Its variety and its region will no doubt shine through, given time, but for now its all lemon, stele pineapple and grapefruit with merely a brush of oak seasoning. There's a texture here, there's elegance, there's balance. But for now patience is required.

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