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Isabella Chardonnay Reserve 2025

Classic, elegant.



ISABELLA'S STORY

For current Muratie owners Rijk and Kim Melck, there could be only one name for their Chardonnay, made from the free-run juice of hand-harvested, whole-bunch pressed grapes, fermented naturally and then matured in 500l French oak for nine months: the name of their baby daughter, Isabella.

VINEYARD

The grapes were hand harvested before being whole-bunch pressed. The free run juice is chilled to about 8° Celsius for 2 days. The clear juice is then taken off and pumped into 500 litre barrels where it undergoes natural fermentation.

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

This reserve wine shares much of the personality of the 'standard' Isabella, but there's even more complexity: chamomile as well as peach-blossom, pineapple as well as stone fruit and citrus, pine nut as well as hazelnut nuances, caramel as well as vanilla cream. Yet, once again, it's elegant and understated, fresh and lingering.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol	13.86 %
Residual Sugar	2.7 g/l
Total acid	5.8 g/l
pH	3.35