

# NEUDORF VINEYARDS

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## Neudorf Moutere Chardonnay 2014

# Organically Grown. Dry Farmed. Wild Yeast. Unfined.

100/100 A Perfect score from Bob Campbell MW

"This is the first wine I have scored 100 points. It is as good as some of the best white Burgundy I have tasted. I love the wine's impressive power. I love the way it delivers an array of citrus, chalky mineral, brioche and spicy oak flavours with consummate subtlety. I am sure the wine will gain stature with age but it offers great drinking now. Chardonnay with the X factor" 10 September 2015

Serene, precise, peaceful and pure. This latest iteration of our classic Neudorf Moutere Chardonnay is quietly confident as it pushes across the palate with a long, mineral flow. Everything is a nuance – the fruit, the oak, the mineral, the acidity. Each component is there but in tune with surrounding notes. It is wonderfully evenly spread, showing no spikes or edges.

While it's still youthful, those of you who have been collecting Neudorf Moutere Chardonnay for several vintages will know how well it ages and how rewarding it is to open after 5, 10 and 15 years. Made from older Mendoza clone vines, low producing and offering a variety of berry sizes with a range of ripeness and flavours.



Hand picked and fermented in largely older oak (only 11% new). The wine went through 100% malolactic ferment but this is not overt. Our

Moutere climate is warm but not hot; this allows us to retain lively acidity. Once again Neudorf Moutere Chardonnay was chosen to represent NZ in the Five Nations Challenge.

"Opening with delicate orange blossom, apple and peach notes plus underlying marzipan and cedar nuances, the gorgeous 2014 Moutere Chardonnay offers wonderful quiet intensity in the mouth with a satiny texture, lively acid backbone and long mineral laced finish." Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

"Medium to full yellow colour. The bouquet is complex with buttery, nutty nuances, a little butterscotch, toffee and nougat. It's intense and quite full-bodied, rich and concentrated, and there are traces of spices, almond meal and malt. The finish is clean, very dry and lingers a long time. An excellent wine." Huon Hooke

## **NEUDORF MOUTERE CHARDONNAY 2014**

#### Vineyard Detail

Vineyards:	Neudorf Home Block, Moutere; Neudorf Rosie's Block, Moutere
Variety:	100% Chardonnay
Clonal Selection:	Mendoza
Hand Harvested:	100%
Soil Type:	Moutere clay gravels
Vintage Detail:	A moderate winter followed by a warm spring and dry summer produced one of the earliest vintages on record. Fruit was harvested under excel- lent conditions and we see wines with great textural character and

#### Winemaking Detail

Harvest:	20 <sup>th</sup> March – 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2014
Harvest Analysis:	23.1 – 24.0 brix, 3.02 – 3.14 pH
Processing:	100% whole bunch press, No or minimal settling.
Fermentation:	100% wild, high solid fermentation
Fermentation Vessel:	100% barrel fermentation (11% new), French Oak – medium toast
Maturation	12 months on full lees with monthly <i>battonage</i> until completion of malo, followed by 4 months, on fine lees, in stainless steel tank
Malolatic:	100%
Fining:	None
Filtration:	Coarse

### Technical Detail

Bottling Date:	9 <sup>th</sup> July 2015
Bottling Analysis:	14.0% Alc, 3.25 pH, 6.2 g/L TA, Dry
Cases Bottled:	675