

Rosie's Block Moutere Chardonnay 2023

Powerful | Graceful | Chic

Organically Certified BioGro 5438

Moutere Clay Gravels | Single Vineyard | Low Cropping | Hand Harvested | Wild Ferment | Natural Spring Malo | Barrel Fermented | Unfined | Vegan | Lightweight Glass Bottle Solar Powered Winery

> "Who could fail to like this?" Jancis Robinson MW, 2022 Vintage

A decade ago, Tim & Jude named this block after me and I'm still chuffed to bits. The block is about 1km from the Home Block on a slightly higher elevation. This Chardonnay is a sibling to what is deemed the keystone in our portfolio - Neudorf Home Block Moutere Chardonnay.

A couple of years ago, a friend and somm described this wine as "the Gucci slippers" of our chardonnay portfolio. Luxurious, smooth, sassy. Recently someone else described this vintage as a dress of European cut, made with New Zealand material. Needless to say - Rosie's Block Moutere Chardonnay is our fashion statement, and I love that.

Guava, gun flint and lime blossom are elegantly framed by restrained used of oak. There is wonderful weight to the palate - it is a voluptuous wine with marvellous shape and brilliant focus. Long, intricate, sophisticated and somewhat serious. However serious it may be - it is also alluring and flirtatious.

You could say Rosie's Block is the "Little Black Dress" that every good cellar needs. Perfect for every occasion.

Enjoy with or without food, in the near or far, with friends or family.





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Vineyard Detail

Site: Rosie's Block - Upper Moutere, Nelson

Aspect: 90m Elveation, North Facing

Soil Type: Moutere Clay Gravels

Soil Composition: Deep sandy loan with clay

content (19%). Little stone content.

Vineyard Established: 1999

Farming: Dry Farmed, Organic (Biogro: #5438)

Variety: 100% Chardonnay

Clonal Selection: 548, 8021

Hand Harvested: 100%

Seasonal Detail: A dry start to the season followed by a wetter than normal November. A welcome change to early summer and autumn where we experienced drier and warmer months (December – April). Minor rain events ensured canopies stayed "refreshed" before a trouble-free harvest period. A generous season producing wines of volume and precision.

Winemaking Detail

Harvest: 18th - 22nd March 2023

Processing: 100% whole bunch press. 24 - 48

hour settling

Fermentation: 100% Wild Yeast, High solid

fermentation

Fermentation Vessel: 100% barrel fermentation,

15% New French Oak - medium toast

Maturation: 10 months on full lees with monthly battonage until completion of malo, followed by 2 months, on fine lees, in stainless steel tank.

Malolactic: 100% natural spring malo

Fining: None Filtration: Coarse Vegan: Yes

Bottling Analysis: 14% Alc, 3.28 pH, 6.9 g/L

TA, Dry

Full Bottle Weight: 1,165 g