

UNCHARTED

2023 CHARDONNAY

WAIRAU & SOUTHERN VALLEYS, MARLBOROUGH

Discover a place between the snow and the sea. Where mountain ranges give way to rivers, and sunshine reigns supreme. Where the three

How I Taste

Giesen Uncharted Chardonnay is an excellent showcase of a cool-climate Marlborough Chardonnay. Look for notes of white peach, lemon, toasted hazelnut, and flint on the nose. Enjoy the rich, concentrated palate, with bright zest balancing the fruit sweetness. Ripe lemon and peach flavours, with grapefruit on the finish.

Where I'm From

A blend of outstanding vineyard sites located in the Southern Valleys and Wairau Valley Marlborough sub-regions. Vineyards chosen all have heavy soil which gives subtle flint character and more texture in the wine.

How I'm Made

The fruit was picked then immediately pressed at the winery, the juice was settled overnight before being racked to tank and inoculated with selected yeast.

It was fermented then matured on French oak for 9 months, using a range of coopers and toasts. This selection was to ensure the wine had subtle oak character which allowed the fruit to shine. The wine was fined and filtered for bottling.

Giesen Brothers discovered an affinity for the finest Marlborough wines, and where we craft our tribute to this beautiful, untameable region.

How I'm Grown

Favourable weather conditions ensured a successful growing season in Marlborough. Throughout the season, rainfall reached 95% of the long-term average ensuring consistent water supply reducing water stress amongst vines.

Variable temperatures during flowering meant low to moderate yields across the region resulting in looser bunches and ensured quality fruit. Dry weather during the harvest period allowed the fruit to be picked at optimal ripeness, enabling the varietal characteristics to shine through. Chardonnay fruit benefited from the cooler evenings, resulting in slow flavour accumulation while maintaining natural acidity.

The Tech Info

Alc 13.2% • pH 3.4 • TA 5.4 g/l
Residual Sugar 1.7 g/l

Match Me With

Fresh clams with speck and Italian parsley.



Share in four decades of passion and craft. Discover the best of Marlborough with Uncharted.

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