



WOLF BLASS

GOLD LABEL REGIONAL RESERVE ADELAIDE HILLS CHARDONNAY 2017

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To create the Wolf Blass Gold Label collection, our winemakers select the definitive varieties of the very best South Australian wine regions to produce a range of progressive, elegant wines that showcase both regional and varietal excellence.

Our Adelaide Hills vineyards grow elegant, complex Chardonnays with clarity of fruit and regional expression. Select parcels of fruit were hand picked and whole-bunch pressed before fermentation in small batches using a combination of wild and cultured yeast and natural malo-lactic fermentation. The wine was left to mature on lees with regular barrel stirring to build texture and complexity.



WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION *Adelaide Hills*

VINTAGE CONDITIONS *Above average winter rainfall set up the growing season with optimal soil moisture. Spring was cool and wet, with good conditions during late flowering. Cool weather continued into summer, with mostly moderate conditions remaining right through to a delayed harvest, maintaining vine balance, extending ripening, and ensuring excellent aroma and flavour development.*

GRAPE VARIETY *Chardonnay*

MATURATION *10 months' maturation in 80% seasoned and 20% new French oak barrels.*

WINE ANALYSIS *Alc/Vol: 12.5%
Acidity: 6.7 g/L
pH: 3.23*

PEAK DRINKING *Enjoyable on release, or careful cellaring in the short to medium term will reward drinkers seeking increased complexity.*

FOOD MATCH *Great with roast chicken with pancetta and thyme stuffing, or pork fillet with grilled nectarines.*

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR *Vibrant straw with bright green hues.*

NOSE *The nose shows good intensity, with citrus and grapefruit notes over peach and nutty aromas, enhanced by well-integrated, fine French oak.*

PALATE *A rich palate with good weight and balance. Complex, elegant stone fruit and melon flavours carry through to a long finish with a fine acid line.*

Winemaker: John Ashwell