## **Lismore Chardonnay**

## Lismore Estate Vineyards

## South Africa - Western Cape - Greyton

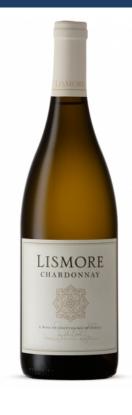
This very special Chardonnay was made in the style of a traditional Burgundian Chablis. It shows intense citrus and soft fruit layered with brioche, honey and walnut carried by a distinct minerality and crisp acidity with a lingering citrus finish.

## Wine Made in the Soil

The vineyards are planted in decomposed shale over clay at 300 meters in the foothills of the Sonderend Mountain Range. A low mean February temperature lends to an extended ripening period that can put harvest 3-4 weeks later than traditional wine growing regions in South Africa. The intense citrus notes and the lingering finish are consistent trademarks of Lismore's specific terroir. The restrained minerality of the Chardonnay is a clear indication of the cool climate in which it is grown.

Wine of Origin "Greyton" has been designated by SAWIS recognizing the special terrior of this region.

Specifications		
- Appellation	Greyton	
Varietals	100% Chardonnay	
Agricultural Practices	Sustainable	
Soil type	decomposed shale over clay	
Vinification	The grapes were picked at optimal ripeness and whole bunch pressed, slowly extracting the juice at a rate of 600ltrs per ton. The juice was cold settled for 48 hours and was racked into 225, 300 and 500 litre older Burgundian barrels for fermentation and 11 months of maturation. 5% new French oak.  The oaking represents a viewpoint that the fruit/acid/pH must drive a wine's flavor and not the over-emphasis on highly extracted buttery notes derived from new barrels and 100% Malolactic conversion. That being said the barrel aging gives this wine its luxurious texture. Having only undergone partial MLF (20%), the wine retains its original fruitiness and fresh acidity. These elements combined allow for years of storage and maturation.	
Pairings	Delightful with warm curries which lift the aromatics or a traditional pairing of smoked salmon highlighting the fresh acidity.	



Codes, Weights and Measures		
UPC	7 84585 01690 7	
Units/Case	6	
Unit Size	750 mL	
Container	bottle	

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Case Weight	19
Cases/Pallet	112
Layers/Pallet	28
ABV	13%
SRP	\$ 44.99 USD 750mL Bottle

Reviews and News	
2020 Lismore Chardonnay - 92 PTS - TA	
2020 Lismore Chardonnay - 91 PTS - WE	
2020 Lismore Chardonnay - 90 PTS - VINOUS	
2018 Lismore Chardonnay - 92 PTS - TA	
2017 Lismore Chardonnay - 93 PTS - VINOUS	
2016 Lismore Chardonnay - 93+ PTS - WA	
2016 Lismore Chardonnay - 92+ PTS - VINOUS	
2016 Lismore Chardonnay - 91 PTS - WE	
2015 Lismore Chardonnay - 94 PTS - VINOUS	
2015 Lismore Chardonnay - 93 PTS - TA	