



Estate Maude
Central Otago
Chardonnay
2021

Vintage Summary

The 2021 vintage growing season began early, thankfully not too early for the Mt Maude Vineyard which managed to miss the early October frost, bud bursting a few days later. Mid October also proved challenging for us, helicopter at the ready, narrowly avoiding another significant frost. Warmer Spring conditions followed, steady and even growth, flowering began in mid-November, whilst drawn out the flowering indicated healthier crop levels than the previous year. Despite a couple of snow falls on surrounding hills during the latter part of the year, the frost risk was low. Warm, dry weather continued throughout the rest of the growing season and harvest began almost 2 weeks early, fruit ripened to perfection with bold interesting flavours.

Stone fruit / mineral / brioche
Rich / complex

Central Otago vineyard blend:
Pisa / Lowburn / Wanaka

Harvest Date: 30 March; 11—12 April 2021
Bottling Date: 24 February 2022
Qty Bottled: 885 dozen
Alcohol 13.5%
pH 3.32
Acidity 7.1g/L

Whole bunch press
100% barrique and puncheon fermentation
Indigenous yeast / 100% MLF
Maturation: 2022 — 2027

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