

# MONTE CHRISTO

## WINERY

Established in 1864 by Jean Désiré Féraud, Monte Cristo is the birthplace of Central Otago wine. Our wines are made with 100% estate-grown fruit sourced from our vineyards across three distinct sub-regions, the Alexandra Basin, Bannockburn and Pisa. Utilising sustainable farming practices and minimal intervention methods in the winery, the outcome is elegant, refined, and impeccably balanced wines epitomising the terroir of Central Otago.



### 2024 Central Otago Chardonnay

#### Tasting note

A complex, medium-bodied and elegant Chardonnay with subtle notes of lemon, marzipan, pear, hawthorn, river rock and subtle baking spices.

#### Vintage note

2024 started as a cool, slow growing season with below average rainfall. The season progressed to become warmer and more settled with no autumn frosts. Wines show optimal ripeness, medium body and bright acidity.

#### VINEYARDS

##### Vineyard: Molyneux (43%)

Subregion: Pisa

Elevation: 202m

Clone(s): 548, Mendoza

Soil: Molyneux alluvial sand, silt and gravels derived from hard sandstone parent material

Growing Degree Days: 1197

Harvest: By hand on the 14/03/24

Yield: 2.3 t/ha

##### Vineyard: Davishon (40%)

Subregion: Alexandra Basin

Elevation: 162m

Clone(s): 6, Mystery clone

Soil: Blackmans alluvial sand, silt and gravels derived from schist and sandstone

Growing Degree Days: 1009

Harvest: By hand on the 08/04/24

Yield: 9.1 t/ha

##### Vineyard: Féraud's (17%)

Subregion: Alexandra Basin

Elevation: 172m

Clone(s): 548

Soil: Blackmans alluvial sand and silt derived from schist

Growing Degree Days: 967

Harvest: By hand on the 08/04/24

Yield: 4.5 t/ha

#### WINEMAKING

Brix: 22.1 (avg.)

Fermentation: Wild yeasts, 80% malolactic fermentation

Aging: 11 months in 89% neutral French oak, 11% stainless steel

Cases Produced: 345

#### FINISHED WINE ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.0%

pH: 3.34

TA: 7.2 g/l