

# Heartwood Chardonnay 2024

Pale to medium straw in appearance. Fresh expressive aromas of white flowers, fresh cut nectarine, green apple, and citrus zest, along with cashew nut and brioche complexity. The palate is vibrant with great intensity, textual complexity, vivacity and persistence. Flavours of nectarine, fennel bulb, citrus and cashew nut abound with a fine acid thread and delicate chalky tannins on the finish.

## Technical data

13.5% Alc/Vol

3.26 pH

7.0 T.A.

## Winemaking Notes

Hand-picked Hawke's Bay Chardonnay from the renowned Two Terraces and Kokako Farms vineyards was gently whole bunch pressed, with just the free run juice sent to ferment in new and seasoned Taransaud French oak barriques. No additions were made to the juice prior to ferment. The wine was aged in barrel for 11 months prior to minimal handling for bottling preparation.

## Vineyard Notes

Hand harvested from Kokako Farms vineyard in the Ohiti Valley, and Two Terraces vineyard in Mangatahi regions of Hawke's Bay, from Mendoza and 548 clones Chardonnay vines. Hand harvesting ensures pristine fruit for wine quality and purity. Vineyards are vertical shoot positioned with open canopies managed under the Sustainable Winegrowing NZ (SWNZ) programme with zero residues.

