

Skeetfield Single Vineyard Chardonnay 2024

Richly scented aromas of roasted peach, almonds, nougat, and toasted hazelnuts, with nuances of honeysuckle and wood smoke. The palate is very concentrated and richly layered with toasted hazelnut, nougat, cashew, savoury spice and mandarin peel along with subtle nuances of cooking spices. The palate has very supple richness and flow with mouth-watering citrus freshness and toasted nectarines on the finish. Will cellar 8-12 years.

Technical data

13.5% Alc/Vol

3.28 pH

6.1 T.A.

Winemaking & Vineyard Notes

The Skeetfield Vineyard has old vine dry-farmed Mendoza clone Chardonnay vines. The fruit was hand-picked and whole bunch pressed with minimal settling. This wine was 100% barrel fermented and matured, with 60% new Taransaud French oak, indigenous ferment and malo-lactic ferment have provided complexity and depth. Battonage on lees has yielded a superb textural quality. Minimal handling to bottling has preserved the purity and intensity of the wine. Skeetfield is a wine with exceptional power and grace, and will greatly reward the patient.

This legendary & heritage vineyard in Hawke's Bay is named after Brick Gunn, champion NZ Skeet shooter. It is now farmed by his son Denis Gunn & young family. The vines are 35+ years old, so although low yielding they reward our patience and hard work each year.

