

A photograph of a man walking through a vineyard. The man is in the center, wearing a dark shirt and jeans, walking away from the camera. The vineyard rows are filled with green and yellowing leaves, supported by wooden posts. The sky is blue with white clouds.

Coldstream Hills

Amphitheatre Club

APRIL 2024 COLLECTION

A message from Andrew Fleming, Chief Winemaker

Vintage has started in the Yarra after another eventful Spring and early start to Summer. La Nina maintained her hold on the weather patterns with significant rainfall over the start of the new year. Despite the challenges posed on the Vineyard Team, the vines have thrived with some promising signs already seen in the winery.

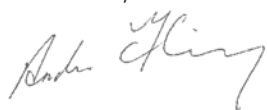
Winding back the clock, the 2023 wines have all been blended, with the majority now bottled. Coldstream Hills Reserve Chardonnay makes a welcome return to the range after a one-year hiatus and will feature in the September 2024 release. In addition, we are pleased to announce that an additional two Single Vineyard wines are to be released in the coming months under the Beenak Vineyard – Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Their release gives another aspect of the Yarra's diversity of style and sense of place, the Beenak Vineyard being in one of the coolest locales of the region.

The white pack for the Autumn 2024 release includes the 2023 Coldstream Hills Chardonnay in addition to a selection of award-winning Chardonnays across a range of vintages. The 2017 Pinot Chardonnay Sparkling now boasts two Gold Medals and is one of the finest in my opinion to date.

The red pack makes a welcome introduction to the 2023 Coldstream Hills Pinot Noir, an excellent follow-on from the acclaimed 2022 and 2021 vintages. Included also is a selection of Single Vineyard Pinot Noirs and Shiraz from the small, but outstanding 2022 vintage. The 2019 CH Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is drinking superbly at present and has also been added to the pack.

Please enjoy the new release packs from our Autumn collection. We're grateful to have you on board as members of our Amphitheatre Club, so from the entire team at Coldstream Hills, I wish you an enjoyable six months ahead and trust you'll appreciate the contents of your parcel.

Cheers,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Fleming', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Fleming
Chief Winemaker

Andrew's Choice

Access limited parcels of Coldstream Hills wine and save on RRP with our exclusive Amphitheatre Club collections

Winemaker's Red Selection

Contains 1 bottle of each of the following:

Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Pinot Noir 2023
Coldstream Hills Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
Coldstream Hills Deer Farm Pinot Noir 2022
Coldstream Hills The Esplanade Pinot Noir 2022
Coldstream Hills Reserve Pinot Noir 2022
Coldstream Hills Reserve Shiraz 2022

RRP: \$315 | Members Price \$185

Winemaker's White Selection

Contains 1 bottle of each of the following:

Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2023
Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Sauvignon Blanc 2023
Coldstream Hills Deer Farm Chardonnay 2022
Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Pinot Noir Chardonnay 2017
Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2022
Coldstream Hills Reserve Chardonnay 2020

RRP: \$243 | Members Price \$175

Winemaker's Mixed Selection

Contains 1 bottle of each of the following:

Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Pinot Noir 2023
Coldstream Hills Deer Farm Pinot Noir 2022
Coldstream Hills Reserve Pinot Noir 2022
Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2023
Coldstream Hills Deer Farm Chardonnay 2022
Coldstream Hills Reserve Chardonnay 2020

RRP: \$310 | Members Price \$185



Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Pinot Noir 2023

Grape Variety

Pinot Noir

Wine Analysis

Harvest Date: March-April 2023

pH: 3.49

Acidity: 5.7g/L

Alcohol: 13%

Residual Sugar: 0.02g/L

Bottled February: 2024

Vintage Conditions

A challenging Spring across most vineyards with high rainfall and cold, wet conditions during flowering. Summer began with high humidity, but gradually eased to a mostly dry and stable weather pattern. A relatively late start to harvest with gentle ripening of flavours and excellent acid retention.

Colour

Vibrant light-medium cherry crimson.

Nose

Highly perfumed and beautifully integrated, notes of raspberry, sour cherry, and wild strawberry dance, with underlying French oak, rose petal spice and a hint of mineral graphite.

Palate

Elegantly framed and textural, with beautifully balanced acidity, length, and a fine silky tannin finish. Raspberry and strawberry characters dominate with underlying sour cherry, hints of whole bunch spice and subtle French oak adding structure and complexity. An excellent vintage.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2030

"An excellent follow on from the acclaimed vintages of 2022 and 2021."

- Andrew Fleming



Coldstream Hills Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2019

Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon

Wine Analysis

Block: Coldstream G

Vines planted: 1988

Harvest Date: March 2019

Alcohol: 13.5%

Vintage Conditions

A cool start to the growing season was overshadowed by a warm and humid late Spring. Dry conditions prevailed throughout the summer months with gloriously warm days and cool nights. A relatively early start to the season, which was fortunately tempered by an even period of sugar and flavour development.

Colour

Dark-medium brick red with crimson hue.

Nose

Ripe and vibrant with regional blackberry, leaf and cassis characters. Secondary notes of cedar oak, dark chocolate and nutmeg/clove spice are evident which both enhance the wine and add complexity.

Palate

Medium bodied in style with ripe characters of blackberry, dark cherry and cassis. Nuances of dark chocolate and nutmeg spice enhance the wine and are supported by seamless French oak. Layered and textural, the palate finishes with a characteristic chalky tannin profile.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2032

***"There are fine-grained tannins, cedar and cigarbox inputs from classy French oak (aged 16 months) and there's a precision across the palate."** - 95 Points*

Jane Faulkner, Halliday Wine Companion 2021



Coldstream Hills Deer Farm Pinot Noir 2022

Grape Variety

Pinot Noir

Wine Analysis

Block: Coldstream E Top, A, C & B

Vines planted: 1994

Harvest Date: 17th-21st March 2022

pH: 3.37 Acidity: 5.4g/L Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 0 g/L

Bottling Date: March 2023

Vintage Conditions

A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Colour

Medium light vibrant crimson red.

Nose

Savoury and complex, with raspberry, sour cherry and blueberry notes underpinned by graphite mineral and spicy French oak. Hints of whole bunch spice add complexity and perfume.

Palate

Medium-bodied in style, with great texture and a silky tannin finish. Vibrant raspberry, muddled strawberry and sour cherry characters are beautifully enhanced with mineral graphite, finely tuned French oak and whole bunch spice. Great length and structure from an outstanding vintage.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2033

"Ok. What a beauty. It's fresh, rich, svelte and complex. I love the acidity here, love the fine, refreshing line of it, but I love the fruit too, so boysenberried, and the oak, so hand-in-glove, and so seductive, and the undergrowth-y complexity, the motor beneath. Ripper wine."

- 95 Points

Campbell Mattinson, Wine Front 2023



Coldstream Hills

The Esplanade

Pinot Noir 2022

Grape Variety

Pinot Noir

Wine Analysis

Block: The Esplanade

Vines planted: 1998

Harvest Date: 3rd March 2022

pH: 3.52

Acidity: 5.3g/L

Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 0.06 g/L

Bottling Date March: 2023

Vintage Conditions

A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Colour

Medium light crimson cherry red.

Nose

Attractive dark cherry with an underlay of earthiness, mineral graphite, and whole bunch spice. Subtle French oak adds complexity and aromatics, with hints of rose petal and five-spice evident in the background.

Palate

Plush and inviting with an array of dark cherry and strawberry characters interwoven with spice, seamless French oak, and earthiness. Characteristically savoury and rustic with finely grained tannins, the mild season offered a more elegant expression of this single site.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2033

"It's the combination of smoky meaty aspects with pure, fresh, red-and-blue-berried fruit, with the cedar-and-floral notes that rise from them both. There's structure here, meaty tannin, clean lines of acidity, a woodsmoke-driven tautness, and yet throughout: a juiciness. This is really good." - 95 Points

Campbell Mattinson, Wine Front 2023



Coldstream Hills Reserve Pinot Noir 2022

Grape Variety

Pinot Noir

Wine Analysis

Block: Coldstream G and Amphitheatre Block A

Vines planted: 1985 - 1988

Harvest Date: 25th & 28th February 2022

pH: 3.49

Acidity: 5.8g/L

Alcohol: 13.5 %

Residual Sugar: 0.0 g/L

Bottling Date: March 2023

Vintage Conditions

A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Colour

Medium crimson red with trace purple.

Nose

Brooding and ripe brimming with sour cherry, wild strawberry, and dark plum characters. French oak is evident but supportive with hints of whole bunch spice, earthiness and mineral graphite adding complexity.

Palate

Medium bodied and savoury with flesh, texture, and a fine chalky tannin finish. Vibrant characters of sour cherry and plum are complemented by hints of mineral graphite, French oak, and whole bunch spice. Powerful and with great length, this Reserve will age beautifully in the Cellar.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2035

"With its aromas of black cherries, violets, brown spices and a touch of freshly hung meat, there's lots going on in this compelling wine. The palate is brooding and structured and while you'd no doubt enjoy this now with some food.. Worth every cent." - 97 Points

Philip Rich, Halliday Wine Companion 2024



Coldstream Hills Reserve Shiraz 2022

Grape Variety

Shiraz

Wine Analysis

Vines planted: 2001

Harvest Date: 16th March 2022

pH: 3.63

Acidity: 5.6g/L

Alcohol: 13.5%

Residual Sugar: 0.03g/L

Bottling Date: March 2023

Vintage Conditions

A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Colour

Medium-dark red with crimson hue.

Nose

Elegant and vibrant cool climate Shiraz notes of rose petal, violets, satsuma plum and dark cherry. Hints of anise, five-spice and raspberry are in the background with subtle French oak tying it all together.

Palate

Classic medium-bodied palate with plushness, texture, and a chalky tannin finish. Dark cherry and blue fruits dominate with underlying spice and beautifully integrated French oak. Perfumed, layered and complex, enjoy in its youth or one that will cellar gracefully.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2035



Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2023

Grape Variety

Chardonnay

Wine Analysis

pH: 3.21

Acidity: 6.7g/L

Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 0.4 g/L

Vintage Conditions

A challenging Spring across most vineyards with high rainfall and cold, wet conditions during flowering. Summer began with high humidity, but gradually eased to a mostly dry and stable weather pattern. A relatively late start to harvest with gentle ripening of flavours and excellent acid retention.

Colour

Pale straw with faint green tinge.

Nose

Attractive and subtle with enticing characters of lemon pith, white florals, nougat, and hints of mineral wet rock. French oak is present in the background offering complexity and spice.

Palate

Layered and textural with fine acidity and length of flavour. Attractive notes of lemon rind, white peach and white florals are underpinned by subtle French oak, mineral and chalky phenolics. An excellent vintage for Yarra Valley Chardonnay.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2030



Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Sauvignon Blanc 2023

Grape Variety

Sauvignon Blanc

Wine Analysis

Harvest Date 13th & 18th March 2023

pH: 3.12

Acidity: 7.1g/l

Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 0.46g/l

Bottling Date: August 2023

Vintage Conditions

A challenging Spring across most vineyards with high rainfall and cold, wet conditions during flowering. Summer began with high humidity, but gradually eased to a mostly dry and stable weather pattern. A relatively late start to harvest with gentle ripening of flavours and excellent acid retention.

Colour

Pale straw with trace green.

Nose

Fine and aromatic with passionfruit pulp and gooseberry notes underpinned by pink grapefruit and nettle.

Palate

Fine and pure with characters of passionfruit, gooseberry, and nettle dominating. Aromatic and vibrant, the wine is evenly textured and finishes with characteristically juicy chalky acidity.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2026



Coldstream Hills Deer Farm Chardonnay 2022

Grape Variety

Chardonnay

Wine Analysis

Blocks: C East & E

Vines planted: 1994

Harvest Date: 4th & 10th March 2022

pH: 3.03

Acidity: 7.8 g/L

Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 0.05 g/L

Bottling Date: February 2023

Vintage Conditions

A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Colour

Vibrant pale straw with green tinge

Nose

Fragrant lemon barley and blossom with whiteflowers and mineral slate. Subtle nougat and creaminess are present with underlying French oak and spice.

Palate

Vibrant lemon pith with nougat, wet slate, and seamless French oak. Fine, pure, and layered finishing with beautifully balanced crystalline acidity.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2033

"The acidity is elevated and nervy but not out of balance. A very refreshing, stimulating young chardonnay that should age superbly."
- 95 Points

Huon Hooke, The Real Review 2023



Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Pinot Noir Chardonnay 2017

Grape Variety

Pinot Noir (52.7%) and Chardonnay (47.3%)

Wine Analysis

Harvest Date: Pinot Noir (27th February) 2017,
Chardonnay (3rd March) 2017

pH: 2.90

Acidity: 7.7g/L

Alcohol: 12 %

Dosage: 6.5g/L

Tirage Date: November 2017

Disgorging Date: from January 2023

Vintage Conditions

The 2017 vintage was a return to a cooler weather pattern with cool spring months and a mild to warm Summer. Rainfall and yields were close to average, allowing grape flavour and sugar to ripen in a steady manner. Acid retention was excellent in the fruit giving rise to wines of freshness, vibrancy, and great balance.

Colour

Pale straw.

Nose

Fine and restrained with subtle lemony Chardonnay notes and hints of Pinot perfume. Time on lees has given rise to attractive secondary notes of breadcrust and fresh toast.

Palate

Lovely fine bead leading to a beautiful balance of acidity and dosage liqueur. Restrained, yet layered and complex, the palate has great presence and length of flavour. An outstanding year for sparkling from the Deer Farm Vineyard.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2028

"The palate is equally refined, and this builds nicely with its gentle creaminess and fine bead before finishing taut and long. A refined Aussie sparkling" - 95 Points

Philip Rich, Halliday Wine Companion 2023



Coldstream Hills Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2022

Grape Variety

Chardonnay

Wine Analysis

Harvest Date: Feb - March 2022

pH: 3.24

Acidity: 6.1 g/L

Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 0.43 g/L

Bottled: January 2023

Vintage Conditions

A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Colour

Pale straw with faint green tinge.

Nose

Attractive characters of lemon curd and white peach are enhanced with subtle French oak, nougat, pearl barley and mineral wet rock like notes.

Palate

Elegant and flavoursome with great texture and beautifully balanced acidity. Lemon pith and white peach dominate with underlying grilled nut barrel fermentation, seamless oak, and subtle mineral slate. An excellent vintage for Yarra Valley Chardonnay.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2029

“Light bright yellow hue with a smoky sulfide bouquet that dominates at first sniff, the palate joins in with lemon/citrus flavours that are refined and fruit-pure, oak is not too obvious, but with some mineral/crushed-rock notes instead. The acidity is elevated and nervy but not out of balance. A very refreshing, stimulating young chardonnay that should age superbly” - 95 Points

Huon Hooke, The Real Review 2023



Coldstream Hills Reserve Chardonnay 2020

Grape Variety

Chardonnay

Wine Analysis

Blocks: Briarston 4, Coldstream 8C and House
Planted: 1985 (House), 1988 (CH 8C),
1994 (Briarston)

Harvest Date: 20th February & 2nd March 2020

pH: 3.20 Acidity: 6.5g/L Alcohol: 13%

Residual Sugar: 0.9g/L

Bottling Date February: 2021

Vintage Conditions

A warm start to Spring with above average rainfall led to good vegetative growth. Bunch numbers were average, but dry conditions in December appear to have checked berry development. Relatively mild to cool conditions ensued throughout the ripening period, allowing gradual flavour development and sugar accumulation. A sequence of rainfall events required extra vigilance in the vineyards, but fruit quality in the main was excellent. Yields were generally lower than average, with tiny bunches seen across many vineyard sites.

Colour

Pale straw with trace green tinge.

Nose

Attractive lemon barley notes with underling white nectarine, nougat, and hazelnuts. Hints of mineral wet slate and beautifully integrated French oak add complexity.

Palate

Restrained and pristine, the palate offers an array of lemon curd, white nectarine, nougat, and white flower notes. Layered and textural, the palate has great length and finishes with finely tuned juicy acidity.

Peak Drinking

Now - 2033

"This is a concentrated, powerful Coldstream Hills Reserve. Aromas of ripe stone-fruits, cumquat, mandarin peel, ginger and grilled nuts lead onto the palate which has real drive and density. Nutty and gently honed, the acidity is already perfectly integrated into the wine. It can be enjoyed now, but the wine's track record is such that this will still be looking good in 7-10 years." - 95 Points

Philip Rich, Halliday Wine Companion 2021





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