



Kooyong Faultline Chardonnay 2019 – Reviews

The Winefront, July 2021

Gary Walsh

It's juicy, but quite tight and refined too. Pink grapefruit, wheatgerm and vanilla wafers, spice and nectarine. Zesty and intense flavour, firm flinty and slightly dusty texture, tight acidity, good grip, almond and zesty sweet citrus flavours on a long and chalky finish.

94+ points

Wine Pilot, July 2021

Ken Gargett

Even from such a fine Chardonnay-producing region as Mornington Peninsula, these latest offerings from Kooyong are standouts. The Faultline Vineyard was planted over two decades ago and the grapes for this wine were sourced from a special 0.57 hectare block within it. The soil has more clay and less ironstone than the Farrago Vineyard. Again, these grapes were whole-bunch pressed directly into French oak barriques (16% new), whereupon fermentation took place with native yeasts. The wine then spent 11 months on lees with no bâtonnage. There was no fining and minimal filtration.

With this chardonnay, Kooyong move into more stonefruit territory with underlying wet slate. It offers lemon spongecake rather than lemon zest. A fine chardonnay with excellent balance

and good acidity. An appealing creamy texture runs the length of the wine. And there is good length. This wine has punch and power.

93 points

The Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2022, August 2021

Jane Faulkner

While its sibling Farrago has the edge this vintage, Faultline is nonetheless very good. It works off a citrus theme, especially lemon and grapefruit, their zest and pith. Spicy, with frisky acidity holding sway.

92 points