



Port Phillip Estate Red Hill Chardonnay 2020 – Reviews

The WineFront, June 2022

Campbell Mattinson

It smells and tastes the goods but it's that extra kick on the finish, all riddled with varietal flavour, that seals the deal. This is Chardonnay 101 in the best of ways. Peach, bran, cedar, toast and popcorn flavours charge convincingly through the palate, ripe and refreshing at once. It's then all grilled peach, grapefruit and cedarwood through what is a very long finish.

94 points

Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2023, August 2022

Jane Faulkner

A counterpoint to its Balnarring sibling with this being altogether richer and fuller across the palate. Featuring ripe stone fruit infused with cedary woody spices, some grilled nuts with burnt butter flavours. A wine to enjoy today and in the short term.

91 points

Courier Mail & Gourmet Traveller Wine, July 2022

Ken Gargett

Chardonnay in Port Phillip Estate's Red Hill vineyard is divided into three parcels, with the largest, 1.3 hectares, thirty years of age. Other smaller parcels were planted in subsequent years. The soil is red basalt, but the Chardonnay is largely grown on grey loam over yellow clay. Gentle pressing of whole bunches into French oak barriques, 18% new, wild yeasts, and then 11 months on lees, but no batonnage. A pale lemon colour, the nose is a little more powerful than the Balnarring Chardonnay. Spices, grilled nuts, cashews, plenty of citrus notes and apricot kernels. Good concentration and still youthful. Fresh, intense and with an underlying minerality. Focused, with very good length.

92 points