

KUMEU RIVER

2013 Coddington Chardonnay



Coddington Vineyard

Owned by Tim and Angela Coddington, this vineyard is located between the towns of Huapai and Waimauku in Kumeu. Planted on a clay-based hillside with narrow trellising, the Chardonnay from this block is consistently weighty and powerful with richness and length. The grapes from Coddington have been used in the Kumeu River Estate Chardonnay since 1998. In 2006, the winery decided to give Coddington single-vineyard status to reflect this vineyard's unique character.

<i>Cultivation:</i>	Sustainable
<i>Size:</i>	1.8 hectares (4.4 acres)
<i>Vine Age:</i>	Planted 1994
<i>Clones:</i>	15
<i>Soil:</i>	Clay
<i>Elevation:</i>	Approximately 100 meters (328 feet)
<i>Exposure:</i>	North
<i>Training:</i>	VSP

Technical Information

<i>Varietal Composition:</i>	100% Chardonnay
<i>Vinification:</i>	Whole-bunch pressed Indigenous-yeast fermentation 100% barrel fermentation 100% malolactic fermentation Aged 11 months in barrel

Tasting Notes

Usually the most flamboyant wine when young, the 2013 Coddington is a little subdued on the nose right now but is still showing the typical rich peach aromas along with citrus peel, which is more a reflection of the vintage. The concertation of 2013 really comes through on the palate with a ringing acidity on the long and intense finish.

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