

2013 Alkoomi Black Label Chardonnay

The Alkoomi vineyards and winery are located in the Frankland River district of Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. The name is taken from local aboriginal dialect and means 'a place we chose' and the logo represents the unique and distinctively Australian Grasstree, *Xanthorrhoea preissii*. The first plantings were in 1971 and the region's long, cool ripening conditions are perfect for growing fruit of intense varietal character.



Winemaking

The juice from our oldest blocks of estate grown fruit was allowed to settle overnight before fermentation in new, one and two year old French oak hogsheads. After eight months maturation on lees, the wine was blended and bottled.

Vintage

2013 saw the earliest start on record due to warm, dry days from November through to February. Fortunately, we had vibrant, healthy canopies to protect the delicate fruit in the summer heat, resulting in the fruit being of the highest quality.

Colour

Pale bright gold, with emerald highlights.

Nose

Lifted aromas of white peach, melon and pink grapefruit zest with savoury notes of hazelnuts, hints of toast and vanilla.

Palate

Flavours of melon and grapefruit carry through with layers of hazelnut, vanilla and a textural creamy mid-palate with a mouth-watering flinty acidity.

Cellaring

Whilst ready to enjoy now, this wine will gain in complexity with patience and careful cellaring for the next five years.

Alcohol 12.8%

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