

Bizoe Idioglossia Chardonnay 2021

Appearance

A medium lemon intensity shares a few defining characteristics about Chardonnay: its affinity with oak and a luminosity that will remain as the wine age for another five years.

Nose

The Chardonnay doesn't play all its cards at once and is quite reserved when you first dip your nose into the glass. There is an austere quality about the wine, the citrus fruit (happily so) veiled with a herbal character of fennel and oregano. Not wanting to be served too cold, the wine evolves in the glass with floral notes like elderflower and jasmine teasing the peripheral of the glass. Finally, a savoury note of Parma ham and flint refines the fruit with an ethereal character as one expects from a quality Chardonnay, following through on the palate.

Palate

This is an excellent example of a wine that enters your mouth like a thief – a bit reserved and unassuming but then creeps up from the back of your mouth with bags of flavour reaching every cavity of your mouth. The wine is focused with good tension that will still unwind over the next three years, and it will undoubtedly become more giving. The palate is governed with greener citrus, grapefruit, wet stones, and old-fashioned lemon candy. The acidity is vibrant, balancing the judicious use of oak, and a creamy mouthfeel of orange yoghurt and lemon meringue add to the interest. Although bone dry, the fruit purity adds a lovely perceived sweetness that lingers on the palate for a medium-plus finish.

Conclusion

A standout for the wine is the smart use of oak that celebrates the fruit and ties up the balance of the tannin, youthful acidity, and fruit sweetness. The wine is light-footed and vibrant with excellent ageing potential, promising more character awakening over time. The palate weight is balanced with a luminosity, intensified with fruit concentration adding to the lingering finish.

Alc 11,77% RS 2,4g/l TA 5,9g/l pH3,31



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