

CHARDONNAY - 2012

Technical info

Vineyard	Mulberry Tree Vineyard Cawston, Similkameen Valley, BC, Canada
Clones	76, 95, 548
Alcohol	13.5%
Harvest Date	September 30, 2012
Production	25 cases
UPC	6 26990 15584 3
Price	\$29.90 BC

Tasting Notes

The warm 2012 vintage has resulted in some beautiful stone fruit and citrus flavours and aromas that wrap nicely around the chalky, crisp mineral core. The nose is subtle but opens in the glass with lemon, hazelnut, cantaloupe melon, golden apple and stone fruit notes. The palate is dry and quite full with a rich mid palate and creamy texture and choux pastry and savoury notes from the lees contact. Flavours of nectarine, peach skin, ruby grapefruit zest, pineapple and the soil's characteristic steel, chalk and oyster shell notes linger on a long complex finish.

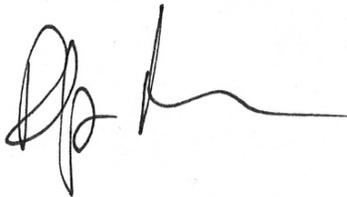
Vintage & Production

The 2012 vintage was ideal and warm resulting in rich ripe flavours in the wine that are nicely balanced with the minerality typical of the vineyard. The grapes were harvested in late September, early enough to maintain refreshing acidity and keep alcohol levels modest. Just 400kg was hand picked and then whole cluster pressed to an old French oak barrel for fermentation. The fermentation was conducted slowly on the full solids and the wine aged on its lees for close to five months with occasional stirring before bottling.

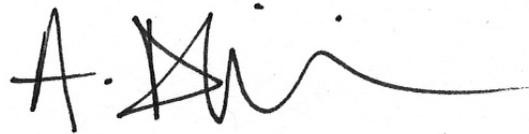
About Little Farm Winery

Little Farm Winery is the small hands-on operation of Rhys Pender MW and Alishan Driediger. It started with a passion for wine and developed into growing and producing Chardonnay and Riesling from their Mulberry Tree Vineyard at their home in Cawston, BC in the beautiful Similkameen Valley. The goal was always to make wines with minimal manipulation and intervention that really capture the vineyard site and each year's unique growing season. The vines were planted in 2009 on the calcium carbonate rich soil and braving the unforgiving Similkameen sun and wind. The first wines were made in 2011.

Little Farm Winery will never be big and will always focus on making small batches of single-vineyard wine that reflect each site's unique characteristics. The goal is to make interesting, characterful, natural-ish wines and look after our little farm.



Rhys Pender MW, Wine Grower



Alishan Driediger, Winemaker