SETTLEMENT

SINGLE VINEYARD - MARLBOROUGH - NEW ZEALAND



POPLARS CHARDONNAY 2020

Mixed citrus fruit is complemented by attractive hints of pip and stone-fruit. A complex underlying richness is kept in check by the wines balance and freshness.

ALCOHOL 14.0% **pH** 3.29 **ACIDITY** 6.1 g/L



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Planted in 1992, the Chardonnay vines, made up of 100% Mendoza, sit on free draining alluvium over a complex clay profile. Requiring little to no irrigation except in the very driest of seasons. Poplars Vineyard receives relatively low rainfall compared to the northern side of the nearby Wairau Valley. A certified organic vineyard since 2012, the resulting fruit from this site shows great vibrancy and intensity with flinty, mineral undertones, and a creamy textured finish.

The 2020 vintage was one of the best the Marlborough region has seen with a warm growing season and minimal rainfall.

WINEMAKING

Hand-picked and whole bunch pressed to tank overnight. The juice was then racked to barrel on solids where it went through wild ferment and ageing for 12 months on lees. 15% new oak was used. 6 months ageing in stainless tank followed to introduce more freshness and liveliness to the end wine. This wine was bottled without fining.