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2017 Penfolds Max's Chardonnay product-timed-pdf - Adelaide Hills, South Australia, Australia - 92 James Suckling | 90 Jeb Dunnuck

Why We're Drinking It

An amalgam of aromatics working in harmony –primarily yellow stone fruit (nectarine) and honeydew melon with soft pistachio nougat... and enchantingly/unexpectedly from this white grape variety, blueberry bavarois! Barely recognizable, savory French oak imparts a sensitive touch to sign off on a complex and appealing nose. A soft and delicate mouth coating/laminated acidity fills out the palate and gently conveys the fermented spoils of Adelaide Hills Chardonnay.

Tasting Notes

Showing more of a citrus edge, with lime spice and finger lime sweetness. Enticing teacake sponge flavors varietally laced with finely grated lemon zest. Already ready, yet no need to hurry – balanced and complete.

VARIETAL
Chardonnay
ALCOHOL
14.50
SIZE
750ml
BLEND
Chardonnay

The Story to Know

Penfolds is an Australian wine producer that was founded in Adelaide in 1844 by Christopher Rawson Penfold, an English physician who emigrated to Australia, and his wife Mary Penfold. It is one of Australia's oldest wineries, and is currently part of Treasury Wine Estates.

Steph Dutton is on the winemaking team at Penfold's winery. In addition to exceptional winemaking skills, Steph is the perfect ambassador. Listening to her speak to the 147-year history and how the wines have stylistically evolved, left me on the edge of my seat! A soon-to-be mom, this lady is dynamic in every way!!!

Ratings

"This complex and attractive chardonnay has a neat core of white peaches, pears and honeydew melon with a refined, dry and layered palate. Long, fresh, peach and lemon finish. Drink now. Screw cap." - 92pts James Suckling

"The 2017 Chardonnay Max's is packaged in an interesting grey wrap which might look good on a shelf but does make opening the bottle a pain (the Cabernet Sauvignon Max's is even worse). The wine, however, is rock solid, with ripe notes of melon, mango, and honeyed grapefruit all giving way to a medium-bodied, vibrant, racy white that has loads of appeal. It's unquestionably worth the going rate." - 90pts Jeb Dunnuck
