



## Oak Valley Beneath the Clouds Chardonnay 2016

main variety Chardonnay

vintage 2016

analysis alc: 13.81 | ph: 3.36 | rs: 3.0 | ta: 6.0

type White

producer Oak Valley

style Dry

winemaker Adam Mason

wine of Elgin

body Full

### tasting notes

High up along the foothills of the Groenlandberg in the cool climate of Elgin, the Summer South East wind brings in a cooling blanket of cloud that slows the ripening and brings incredible character to this wine

### blend information

100% Chardonnay

### in the vineyard

The Cape Doctor that brings the cloud cover during the ripening period allows the wine to fully ripen in the vineyard while still retaining a beautiful natural acidity. Wild yeast fermentation in older French Oak Barriques results in a wine that has beautiful structure and complexity.

### about the harvest

This Chardonnay expresses generous lemon-citrus aromas, almonds, oyster shell and flint. This fresh lemon-citrus follows on the palate with ruby grapefruit as the dominant character. Lovely full mid-palate with the citrus fruits supported by sweet zesty spice. This will please those who enjoy wooded, but fresher-styled Chardonnays.