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PETRIE
Chardonnay
2009

Aromas of ripe peach and delectable almond custard croissant make a very inviting first impression of this latest release of Petrie Chardonnay. A hint of grapefruit comes through on the palate which is concentrated, yet still long and tight with a touch of flinty minerality.

The wonderful 2009 season has delivered a deeper, slightly more savoury, more complex Chardonnay than we have previously seen from the Petrie Vineyard site. Owned by the Petrie family, the twenty year old block is twenty minutes drive north of Martinborough on gravelly river terraces at East Taratahi.

Harvest Dates	<i>2 and 3 April 2009</i>	Wine Analysis	<i>Alc 13.5%</i> <i>TA 6.1g/l</i> <i>pH 3.33</i>
Vineyard	<i>Petrie Vineyard at East Taratahi, Wairarapa</i>	Winemaking	<i>Fruit hand-picked and whole-bunch pressed in Membrane press. Racked to Burgundy barriques and puncheons (18% new) Inoculated and fermented in controlled temp storage at 14-20^o C. 30% of blend has full malolactic. Aged in barrel on lees for seven months.</i>
Variety / Clone	<i>Clone 15 and Clone 6</i>		
Harvest Analysis	<i>Brix 22.1- 23.7</i> <i>pH 3.2 -3.25</i> <i>TA 7.1 - 7.9</i>		
Bottling Date	<i>March 2010</i>	Cellaring Potential	<i>now to 2014</i>

