# WINEMAKERS

Variety: Chardonnay

Vintage: 2024

Region: Eden Valley, South Australia

Alcohol: 13.0%

The story of Krondorf began in 1847, with a small group of Silesian settlers, family plots of grapevines, and shared values of love, faith and hope. Those little vineyards helped lay the foundation for what the Barossa is today. Our Winemakers range honours the Krondorf legacy with these fresh and modern wines that exemplify what the Barossa region has to offer. This modern riesling delivers the hallmark brightness and freshness of the Eden Valley.

## Vineyard

Chardonnay parcels were specially selected from vineyards within the Eden Valley sub-region, with pristine parcels harvested with timing selected to capture the vibrant natural acidity of the fruit.

## Winemaking

Chardonnay parcels were harvested to balance ripening with retention of natural acidity. Selected juice parcels were filled to French oak hogsheads and fermented in a temperature controlled room to retain delicate aromatics. These parcels were left on lees post ferment and stirred regularly to build weight and texture. Other components were fermented in small format stainless steel tanks to retain varietal fruit freshness.

#### Colour

Pale straw in colour.

#### Nose

Lifted white stone fruit aromatics, with flinty oak notes.

### Palate

White peach and nectarine flavours on the palate, with creamy textural notes and a fine acid line.

## Cellaring

Drinks well now, or will reward cellaring for the mid-term (36 - 48 months).

## Vintage 2024

The 2024 Barossa vintage was a stark contrast to the delayed and wet 2023 season, marked by dry conditions and an earlier harvest. Winter and spring rainfall were significantly below average, with the Eden Valley experiencing irregular rainfall patterns. Spring Frosts caused damage to some vineyards, impacting yields, while windy weather and a heat spike during flowering added further challenges. Despite these hurdles, vines flourished in December and January, aided by sporadic rain and moderate temperatures. February brought above-average temperatures and no rain, accelerating ripening and prompting a fast-paced harvest, with most grapes picked before Easter. Eden Valley whites shone with their electric acidity and fine aromas.



