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2009 Brokenwood Indigo Vineyard Chardonnay

Variety: Chardonnay
Region: Beechworth - VIC

Winemakers Comments:

The success our neighbour (at Beechworth) Rick Kinzbrunner at Giaconda has had with Beechworth Chardonnay highlights the quality of this region. Different soils, aspect, clones & age of vines on the Indigo property will lead our Chardonnay in a different direction but with minimum winemaker input, the region still expresses itself.

The latter part of the 2009 Beechworth vintage proved difficult with drought and then the threat of fires. Fortunately the early grapes, mainly Chardonnay and Pinot Noir were picked before any problems arose

Vinification:

Whole bunch pressing, wild ferments in new French oak have come together in spectacular fashion. The wine was fermented in 80% new French oak and 20% one year old, from a variety of cooperages.

Tasting Notes:

Very youthful colour of pale yellow and green tints. Although no cultured yeast in the ferment the fruit is quite upfront with background complexity from the wild ferment. Great complexity on the palate and minerality. Some tropical zest and nectarine backed by bran meal oak. The latter from 6 months on yeast lees. Not super ripe but a very good alcohol/acid balance and finish.

An impressive Indigo Chardonnay and under screw cap, one for the medium to long term.

Food:

Seafood to light meats.

Technical Data:

Alcohol	13.5%
pH	3.27
Acidity	6.55g/L
Residual Sugar	1.0g/L
Availability:	750ml
RRP:	A\$30.00

Our wines are now sealed with screw cap to guarantee quality and consistency.

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