# Helmsman Chardonnay 2023 6x75cl

# Winemaker Notes

Stone fruit, fig and subtle citrus flavours, balanced by toasty oak.

### Vineyard

Containing some of the higher, cooler vineyard sites in the state, the Central Ranges is an important and recently designated wine-growing zone. It is sometimes better known for the regions it comprises: running north to south along the western slopes of the Great Dividing Range (and in descending order of size): Mudgee, Orange and Cowra.

## Winemaking

The fermentation takes place partially in tanks and oak barrels, which enables the oak to play a supporting role without overpowering the delicate fruit character.

### Vintage

2023 vintage in the Central Ranges shows excellent purity of fruit in whites, with beautiful natural acidity. Chardonnay is looking to be among our best quality ever.

Food match

Lovely with mackerel pâté



#### Grapes

Region/Appellation Central Ranges Australia

Alcohol by volume 12.5%



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