Yattarna Chardonnay
2007

Launching in 1998 with the 1995 vintage, Penfolds Yattarna Chardonnay is the result of one of the most comprehensive, focussed and highly publicised wine development projects ever conducted in Australia. The aspiration and independence of mind across generations of Penfolds winemaking inspired the winery to embark on a program to create a white wine that could one day rival the standards of Penfolds Grange.

Selectively sourcing only the very best Chardonnay fruit from cool-climate regions, coupled with sensitive and enlightened winemaking, the style continues to evolve.

Yattarna reflects Penfolds’ patience and continued commitment to its original goal, its very name being drawn from the Aboriginal language, meaning ‘little by little, gradually'. Each vintage provides the opportunity to further raise the quality bar.

"Definitively Yattarna: brooding restraint awaiting release... soon to be unleashed!"

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Pale straw with a light green hue.

At once, noticeably different to the Bin A Chardonnay. This Chardonnay expression exudes a limy citrus restraint that has stylistically evolved across many years of fine-tuning of sourcing & winemaking technique. Cantaloupe, cured bacon rind and subtle, spicy oak give way to complex nut kernel and pecan pie complexities - no doubt arising from yeast lees battonage in barrique.

An explosion of citrus and white stonefruits prelude a layered and creamy custard apple-like mid palate. A core of fine, mineral, lemony acid skates across the entire palate, projecting great length of flavour and linearity.