

BAROSSA VALLEY

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Schild Estate Wines are created with an authenticity and passion that comes from generations of a family who have made their home in the Southern Barossa.

## 2020 Barossa Valley Chardonnay

### The Vineyard

The Three Springs Vineyard is located alongside the original Schild Family Estate. Chardonnay from this block is blended with fruit from other local grape growers, The Barritt family. The Barritt family are sixth generation growers in the Barossa Valley dating back to the 1850s. They grow exceptional chardonnay fruit with their mature vines on Church Road in the hills behind Rowland Flat.

### The Vintage

2020 was a year marked by some early season challenges around lack of rainfall and heat before almost ideal conditions prevailed towards the back end of the growing season in late January and February. These were a welcome arrival allowing grapevines to relax and flavours to develop slowly and steadily towards the onset of harvest. Natural acid levels remained high ensuring a strong year for white wine production.

### Technical Notes

Fruit for this wine is harvested in the cool of the night and delivered quickly to the winery, where it is crushed, chilled and pressed to tank. Cold settled overnight, the juice is then fermented cool (between 11°C- 18°C) in temperature controlled stainless steel vessels. All of this is designed to retain maximum freshness, aromatics and flavour depth. Additional lees stirring is employed to add some roundness and depth before the wine is prepared for bottling.

### Tasting Notes

Clear, bright pale lemon in appearance. An aroma characterised by ripe lemon citrus, fresh nectarine and white peach notes sitting alongside subtle glimpses of powderpuff mineral bath salts and white iris flowers. In the mouth a balanced, restrained mouthfeel from the interplay of the lemon citrus flavours working in tandem with a fresh mineral acid line and a clean finish to ensure a soft and controlled.

### Cellaring

Drink now to 2025



**Varietal:** 100% Chardonnay

**Region:** Barossa Valley, South Australia

**Vineyard:** Three Springs

**Analyses**

Alc/Vol: 13%

pH: 3.29

Titrateable Acid: 6.5g/L

**Food Paring:** Chicken and Mushroom Risotto

**Winemaker:** Scott Hazeldine & James Adams