

Gary Walsh. Australia, October 2022

94 points

ELSTON CHARDONNAY '21

This is Mendoza and 548 clone. 30% new French oak for 11 months. A bit more restraint and brightness to Elston these days, though it still has a certain opulence.

Almond, cinnamon, nutmeg, green tobacco, a little gun smoke, nashi pear and nectarine. There's some real lemonade flavour along with dried pear, a pleasing crunch and freshness to acidity, a friand and dried coconut richness, and a bright finish of excellent length. Ticks a lot of boxes, you might say.

Very good chardonnay.



