



TOLPUDDLE

VINEYARD

2020 TOLPUDDLE VINEYARD CHARDONNAY REVIEWS & ACCOLADES

NATASHA HUGHES MW CLUB OENOLOGIQUE	SEPTEMBER 2022 At the moment it feels like the acidity is still quite prominent in this youthful wine, but over time it should integrate well into the focused, layered palate. The fruit character is quite delicate – orange blossom, grapefruit, lime, with some flinty minerality. Subtle oak. 94 POINTS
JANCIS ROBINSON JANCISROBINSON.COM	<i>Five trophies in Melbourne including Jimmy Watson white. Hill Smith, returning from the awards ceremony, had no room for the trophies in his car!</i> Young but complex. Rather richer nose than some. Everything in its place for fine development but not yet integrated. 17 POINTS
WINE ENTHUSIAST	From Tasmania's southeastern Coal River Valley, Tolpuddle has cemented its reputation as one of Australia's most revered single vineyards. The winery's Chardonnay style is a rich, Burgundian expression, leaning fairly heavily into reductive, struck match, flint and roasted nut territory. But it never goes too far. The delicate white peach and preserved lemon notes are what tip it back into balance. The palate is mouthfilling but lifted by pristine acidity. A lick of hazelnut oak supports without dominating, and a toasty, saline finish lingers long in the mouth. A classy and distinctive Chard with a long life ahead. 95 POINTS
INTERNATIONAL WINE CHALLENGE 2022	MAY 2021 TASMANIAN CHARDONNAY TROPHY AUSTRALIAN CHARDONNAY TROPHY AUSTRALIAN WHITE TROPHY
ROYAL MELBOURNE WINE AWARDS 2021	DECEMBER 2021 THE FRANCOIS DE CASTELLA TROPHY FOR BEST YOUNG WHITE THE DOUGLAS SEABROOK TROPHY FOR BEST SINGLE VINEYARD WINE BEST TASMANIAN CHARDONNAY MEDAL BEST CHARDONNAY MEDAL CONSISTENCY OF EXCELLENCE MEDAL GOLD, 97 POINTS
THE WEEKEND AUSTRALIAN, HALLIDAY TOP 100	NOVEMBER 2021 Tolpuddle is cementing its place in the great regional chardonnays of Australia, with its piercing purity and intensity reflecting its great Richmond vineyard. Its impact on the aftertaste has no equal, leaving you rooted to the spot. Tolpuddle doesn't waste great vintage opportunities. 98 POINTS



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HUON HOOKE,
THE REAL REVIEW

Very light yellow colour, with a powerful smoky, toasty bouquet, lots of struck-flint character. The wine is tightly focused and lively on the tongue, with bright acidity and penetrating length. A superb, piercingly-tensioned chardonnay with cool climate precision, finesse and length.

97 POINTS

CAMPBELL MATTINSON,
THE WINE FRONT

I used the word 'slashing' to describe the 2019 release and it's a word that came to mind again here. This is a chardonnay of line and length if ever there was one. It's not quite piercing but it's on its way there. Preserved lemon, nectarine, crunchy green apple and chalk flavours come whispered with cedar, honeysuckle and lactose, though nothing here is overt. It feels refined, long and tense but it also feels sure of itself; it feels certain. It's a beautiful chardonnay, young, essential, of gold medal standards.

94+ POINTS

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This really asserts itself at the top echelon of chardonnay, in a context that extends far beyond the shores of the tiny island state of Tasmania. Already in such a great place, with aromas of white peach, lemon, lemon curd and very precisely curated sulphides adding interest. There's wet chalk, lemon peel and gentle hazelnutty oak in play as well. The palate has seamless, layered and fresh citrus and peach flavours, as well as a stream of pithy grapefruit and peach on offer. Acidity holds the finish long and true. This is one of the most elegant vintages of this wine, reminiscent of the 2014. Oak chimes in so subtly on the finish.

99 POINTS

TYSON STELZER,
HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION

The 9th release, from vines planted 1998 in the Coal River Valley. A small crop, from a cool harvest. Hand picked; fermented and matured 10 months in French oak barrels with gentle batonnage. The concentration from a small crop contrasts the tension of this cool site with grand stature and presence. The carefully tuned gunflint of barrel fermentation backs a core of pure grapefruit and lemon, backed emphatically with crystalline acidity and finely textured, creamy structure of lees age and batonnage. Dreamy line and length.

96 POINTS