



ABOUT THE WINERY

Greek for "a serene state of mind, free from worry and preoccupation," Ataraxia wines live up to it's name, and their recent accolades. Known as "The Skyfields," Ataraxia is situated in the mountains in the beautiful Hemel-en-Aarde (or "heaven on earth") area in Walker Bay.

The farm was founded in 2004 when winemaker, former Hamilton Russell winemaker and Cape Wine Guild member, Kevin Grant purchased the property with his wife Hanli. Kevin strives to make sure his wines are a pure expression of the soil in which they grow, utilizing a minimalist, non-interventionist winemaking approach. The farm is made up of 12 hectares of vineyards with 12 more planned for the future.

WEBSITE

Ataraxiawines.co.za

ATARAXIA

CHARDONNAY

VINTAGE VARIETAL
2016 100% Chardonnay

ORIGIN COUNTRY
Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge South Africa

WINE MAKING NOTES

Shale soils and the cool maritime climate of Hemel-en-Aarde Ridge allows the grapes to have a long hang-time. After harvest this wine is 100% barrel fermented and carefully matured in 24% new and 76% second fill for 10 months with fortnightly batonnage.

TASTING NOTES

The result is a Chardonnay that is New World in origin but Old World in style. A chiselled, focused wine that effortlessly manages to be both subtle and intense. The mineral acidity is beautifully balanced by a subtle intensity of fruit. Classic length, creaminess and intriguing complexity define this stylish, world-class Chardonnay.

FOOD PAIRING

Roasted chicken or seafood, pasta dishes made with cream or cheese, with Asian dishes that include coconut milk, or even with spicy curries.

AGING RECOMMENDATIONS

Up to 10 years.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 12.84% RS: 1.9 g/l TA: 7.1 g/l pH: 3.2

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