



# SIMON\_TOLLEY

ADELAIDE HILLS / SINGLE VINEYARD

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## CHARDONNAY

Clonal Selection: Bernard 95

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**2022**

### PERFECTUS BACKGROUND

At Simon Tolley Wines, we are firm believers that great wine is made in the vineyard. Each season, no stone is left unturned to grow the best fruit that we can grow. Where particular seasons provide excellent growing conditions, special fruit characters and outstanding wine expressions, Simon puts aside this wine into his premium range of wines called "Perfectus".

### HARVEST

A small parcel of carefully tended vines of Chardonnay fruit was harvested from the Tolley Vineyard in Woodside on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022. The seasonal characters of the Bernard 95 clone this vintage were exceptional & specifically chosen for this vintage.

### WINEMAKING

Hand-picked grapes were gently whole bunch pressed to seasoned French oak barrels using free-run juice only. A high solid, partial wild ferment (approx. 50%) followed, giving the wine texture and complexity. The wine underwent a partial Malo-lactic ferment (approx. 15%) with monthly batonage (stirring) for approximately 10 months before bottling.

### CHARACTER

A well-structured, integrated wine, dominant of white stone fruit characters. Aged in quality French oak (35% new), assisting with layers of cream texture persisting of pear, apple, and peach flavours. A refreshing finish with a hint of flint & citrus acidity. A medium-full bodied style with subtle and restrained oak.

**RELEASE DATE** March 3, 2023

**ALCOHOL** 13.0 % alc/vol

