



Maxwell

WINES of McLAREN VALE

# Maxwell 2005 Box 111 Chardonnay

## TASTING NOTE

### THE NAME

"Box Triple-One" may appear a somewhat abstract name for our Chardonnay until, of course, you were to send us a letter saying how much you enjoyed drinking it, then all would become crystal clear – 111 is our post office box number!

### THE VINTAGE

McLaren Vale enjoyed a milder than usual summer, creating an excellent and even ripening period. White varieties were generally picked earlier compared to previous years, and showed good levels of natural acid. A rapid rise in Baumes (sugar levels) saw the vintage progress quickly and finish early, with Shiraz and Cabernet looking particularly good.

### THE WINE

A beautifully textured and elegant style, this wine combines characters of grapefruit, pear, and a splash of passionfruit with integrated French oak and cashew nut. A well balanced Chardonnay that is great to drink now, it will develop even more complexity if cellared for a few years.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Varietal composition: Chardonnay 100%

Region (GI): McLaren Vale

Alcohol: 13.5% alc./vol.

Total acidity: 5.6 g/L

pH: 3.47

