



Blue-Gold Medal / Top 100 for MadFish Chardonnay

The **2006 MadFish Chardonnay** has proved its appeal as a classic example of modern Chardonnay, collecting a prestigious **Blue-Gold Medal** and **Top 100 Placing** at the **2008 Sydney International Wine Competition**, out of 2000 competition entries.

The MadFish Chardonnay is derived from the finest fruit from Western Australia's Margaret River and Great Southern regions. The wine is barrel fermented in French oak and aged for 10 months on lees and it displays an initial burst of melon and citrus fruit balanced by more textural cashew characters.

MadFish wines are crafted without pretension and are characterised by a pure, fresh and clean style driven by primary fruit characters.

"Now in its 6th vintage, this wine is a combination of intensive viticulture, meticulous winemaking and attention to detail. A contemporary and elegant Chardonnay at an affordable price point, the 2006 is bright and punchy, with a crisper mouth feel than the Chardonnays of earlier years," says winemaker Tony Davis.

"It is humbling and encouraging for the MadFish Chardonnay to receive this award matched with food as this is the primary aim of MadFish wines, to accompany great times with family and friends."

The Sydney International Wine Competition is one of Australia's major wine judging events and is unique in that the aim is to single out and reward wines that are complementary to food.

454 brands from 10 countries worldwide including Australia, Argentina, Canada, Chile, France, Greece, Italy, New Zealand, South Africa and USA were received for the competition.

The overall results of the 2008 Competition, including Trophy Winners, will be announced at the Competition's Awards Presentation Banquet and on the Competition's website – www.top100wines.com.au on Saturday 1st March 2008.

The 2006 MadFish Chardonnay was also awarded a silver medal at the recent 2007 Qantas Wine Show of Western Australia.

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