The Falcon

SERVING TEMPERATURE:	Best served 8-12°C
WINEMAKER	Chloe Gabrielsen
ALC (ABV):	13.0%Vol
TA:	4.7g/L
RS:	0.6g/L
PH:	3.59
PACKAGING:	6x750mL bottles screw cap closure
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SWNZ Certified, 2019. New Zealand Sustainable Winegrowing Lake Chalice 2021 Vintage Chardonnay

To appreciate the aroma and taste of this Chardonnay, let's escape for a moment.

Imagine standing in a luscious green tropical forest. At a clearing in the trees, a small river drops off a rocky edge into an inviting water hole a few meters below you. More than merely crystal waters, it's filled with peach, lemon and citrus fruits. The spray from the waterfall drifts in the air, like a fine spritz. Are you ready to jump? Come on – three, two, one, jump! As you take a big breath on the daring dive, you notice lemon zest, melon and subtle notes of butter caramel in the spray that fills the air. Splash!

As you kick towards the surface light, you taste the crescendo of ripe peach with fresh luscious tropical citrus and zesty lemon. And with a woosh, you resurface. After a few strokes to the water's edge, you reach inside your drenched back-pack. That Chardonnay should be the perfect temperature now. Let's pour a glass and dry here on the rocks.

Region: Wairau Valley, Marlborough Style: Dry

Vineyard: The majority of fruit is harvested from our Falcon Vineyard and blended with other carefully selected blocks from Marlborough's Wairau valley.

Vinificaton: Fermented in tank and seasoned oak and matured for seven months to enhance creamy characters. The majority of the parcels undergo malolactic fermentaiton, with the balance untouched giving the final blend balanced acid and a clean fresh palate.

Appearance: Light straw yellow.

Bouquet: Fresh and zesty lime, stone fruits and with subtle notes of lifted spices.

Palate: Ripe nectarine and tropical citrus with hints of lemon zest and creamy layered spices. A focused acid drive mingles with softly textured phenolics through to the finish.

Cellaring: Enjoy now and over the next 5 years.



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