# Three Lagoons Chardonnay 2012





#### Origin

VARIETY (%): 100% Chardonnay

D.O: Casablanca Valley, Chile.

SOL: Granitic loamy clay with a depth of 2 metres.

HARVEST: The grapes were harvested on 20 April.

VNTAGE: 2012 was characterized by being a cold year in the Casablanca valley, with no rainfall during the entire ripening period. This enabled the grapes to ripen slowly, increasing their aromatic potential and ensuring crisp acidity and optimum healthy conditions.

# Winemaking

FERMENTATION: The must first underwent a cold maceration for a period of between I2 and I4 hours. The must was protected from contact with the air throughout the process 50% of the wine was fermented in French oak barrels, 10% in new barrels, 20% in second use and 70% in third or fourth use barrels. The other 50% of the wine was fermented in stainless steel tanks to retain a fruity component in the mixture. In both cases, the wine was fermented slowly at a constant low temperature of between I3°C and I6°C, which enabled the maximum varietal aromas to be drawn out.

AGEING: After fermentation, the wine was aged over its lees for ten months and battonage was used to gently move it so as to maximize the contribution made by the wine coming into contact with the fine sediment. This increased the aromatic complexity of the wine.

TECHNICAL DATA: Alcohol 13.0% GL, ph 3,28, Acidity 6.10 g/L (Tartaric Acid), Res. Sugar 2.86 g/L.

AGEING POTENTIAL: This wine can be stored for up to 5 years in optimum conditions.

## **Tasting Notes**

COLOR: This wine is pale yellow in colour.

AROMAS: This wine has a complex and elegant bouquet, in which the aromas of ripe tropical fruit, such as pineapple, mango and papaya intermingle with gentle mineral and citrus notes. The oak-ageing contributes gentle notes of vanilla and dried fruit.

PALATE: This well-structured wine is refreshing thanks to its balanced acidity, which provides a broad and persistent finish. In the aftertaste, the tropical fruit is again apparent, complemented by dried fruit and vanilla.

## Serving suggestion

Best served at a temperature of between 8°C and 10°C. This wine pairs well with oily fish, pasta, cheese and white meat.

