

Penfolds

RAWSON'S RETREAT

CHARDONNAY 2005

Penfolds Rawson's Retreat wines present classic single varietals and varietal blends in an approachable, fresh-flavoured style. Drawing on Penfolds' extensive vineyard resources, these wines offer a first-rate quality and value guarantee, presenting the drinker with an affordable taste of everyday Australian wine at its best.

The name Rawson's Retreat is an informal reference to the stone cottage built in 1845 by Dr Christopher Rawson Penfold at the famous Magill vineyard in Adelaide, where he, with wife Mary and daughter Georgina, had settled the year before and were to establish the Penfolds winery which still operates today.



VINEYARD REGION	Sourced from vineyards throughout South Australia, including a sizeable contribution from the Barossa Valley.
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	The 2005 vintage was of consistent good quality across all regions. Favourable seasonal conditions - particularly mild temperatures, with few sustained hot periods, and moderate and generally well timed rainfall - resulted in good quality and steady ripening of fruit, with full varietal characters being developed.
GRAPE VARIETY	Chardonnay
MATURATION	This wine was matured for three months on its lees with French oak.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 13.50% Acidity: - pH: -
LAST TASTED	2-Feb-06
PEAK DRINKING	Now - 2008
FOOD MATCHES	Ideally suited to Chicken, Salad, Seafood

Winemaker comments by Peter Gago

COLOUR	Pale straw.
NOSE	Lifted aromas of rock melon meld with notes of freshly peeled yellow peach.
PALATE	An instantly approachable wine. The creamy mid-palate is supported by a tropical fruit core resulting in a wine that is structured to please.