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Clos de Ste. Anne is a single vineyard situated on steep northeast facing slopes in the foothills of Poverty Bay. The 2009 Chardonnay comes from older plantings from the original Naboth's Vineyard¹ Kings Ch. 21. The soil type is loam over calcareous sedimentary rock.

Notes from the Winemaker:

An energetic, luminous wine. Hand-harvested, the grapes were gently pressed into barriques, where the young juice underwent natural fermentation. To retain minerality, no secondary malo-lactic fermentation was allowed, while extended time ageing on spent yeast lees gives weight to the mouthfeel.

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A calcification of dryness is felt on the middle of the tongue with enhanced minerality, for which this vineyard is now well recognised, contributing to a palate of intense interest

Ageing on the spent yeast lees for over ten months, without the use of sulphur dioxide, adds sweet yeast, shortbread and mealy aromas and fills the mouth with toasty, nutty richness. This incredible wine has length and breadth and a very good ageing potential.

Bottled on the property, using the finest natural cork. Store lying down. This wine also enjoys a time to rest in a decanter before serving. Suitable for vegetarians.

Drink between 2011 – 2021.

Wine from Certified Organic and Biodynamic Grapes.

Total acidity: 8.1 g/l **pH:** 3.38

Alcohol: 14.0% Vol. **Residual Sugar:** 1.0g/l

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