



## Tasting Notes WA chardonnay



### **Devil's Lair chardonnay 2007 (\$45)**

Well, here's the thing. I tasted the 06 again and thought it outstanding and then along comes this ripper. There's an even finer and more delicate structure that loses nothing in power and palate length. Get those anti-chardonnay loonies to check this out. It'll blow them away. 96/100



### **Woodside Valley Estate Le Bas chardonnay 2007 (\$42)**

Really packing some grunt this year with a strong opening of stone fruit with a lightly toasted oak influence. The palate is seamlessly lean and intense with a sustained length. Finishes with some lemon dominant citrus tangs and little distinctive grapefruit. Class. 95/100



### **Voyager Estate chardonnay 2006 (\$42)**

Sensational follow-up to the 05 which I also liked a lot. Power and complex with barrel ferment influence quite evident. More powerful and intense than some previous vintages but maintains that wonderful minerally crisp delicacy. The grapefruit and cereal influence adds to the palate complexity. Lovely wine. 94/100



### **Arlewood Estate chardonnay 2006 (\$35)**

Yet another super chardonnay from these guys. Grapefruit and mealy characters open on the nose with deeper touches of vanilla bean and cream oak. The palate has a rich toasty cashew flavour tickled with a little squeeze of citrus juice. 93/100



### **Xabregas Show Reserve chardonnay 2006 (\$24)**

A little more delicate than the rich nutty full-flavoured chardonnay of previous vintages. Still with a creamy richness plus some roasted cashew and grapefruit meal. Nice oak influence. A very drinkable chardonnay. 88/100