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## Freefall Chardonnay 2007

**Variety:** 100% Chardonnay

**Region:** Wairau Plains, Marlborough

**Vineyard Name:** The Corners Vineyard. The vineyard is situated within an ancient bend of the Opawa River and the name “the Corners” in fact refers to the shape of the road which follows this old river channel. Total 16 hectares, Chardonnay block 2.5 hectares.

**Vintage:** The 2007 vintage resulted in excellent fruit set and crop levels. Consistent ripening throughout the season allowed the grapes to retain the crisp, intense flavors Marlborough is known for. 2007 was a fantastic vintage.

**Winemaker’s Notes:** Coming from 10 year old vines, these grapes were destemmed, crushed and pressed before cold settling the juice. Half the juice was racked to tank for ferment, the other half to old oak barrels for 6 weeks, and then matured in oak for 2 months. The barrel portion was then added back to the tank with the rest of the blend.

**Tasting Notes:** Expressive aromas of citrus and tropical notes are supported by subtle oak. The palate is characterized by its emphasis on opulent stone fruit flavors, generous palate weight and balanced acidity.

**Food Match:** Grilled fresh Crayfish and Scallops with Avocado & Lemon.

**Cellaring:** Up to 4 years.

**Technical Details:** Alcohol 12.5%

**Bottling Date:** August 1, 2007

**Winemaker:** Allan McWilliams

