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2008 AD LIB HEN & CHICKEN CHARDONNAY

“The Ad Lib “Hen & Chicken” Oaked Chardonnay 2008, Pemberton, Western Australia, (is) a carefully crafted wine, (but) I didn’t like it as much as the Tree Hugger Chardonnay. The wine sees eight months in new and two-year-old French oak barrels and goes through 80 percent malolactic process. At first, I thought that the wine was fairly Burgundian, with its touches of bacon fat and Parmesan rind, its vivid, ripe pineapple-grapefruit flavors; after a few minutes, it displayed marked smoke and spiciness, with flavors of buttered and roasted peach and grapefruit...If you like a chardonnay with oak that comes to the forefront, you will probably think that this one is Excellent. For me, though, I’ll go with **Very Good+**, **because it’s my palate and my blog and I can do that.**”

-FREDRIC KOEPEL, BiggerThanYourHead.net

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