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The Wine Advocate Tasting History

2008 Domaine du Castel Chardonnay Blanc du Castel


Domaine du Castel 
 A Chardonnay Dry White Table wine from Jerusalem, Judean Hills, Israel

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
eRobertParker.com # 187 Feb 2010	Mark Squires	90	Drink: 2010 - 2014	\$48 (48)

The 2008 BLANC DU CASTEL is bright and mouth gripping, but also well marked with oak—a little too well marked for my taste. That said, this combines elegance and a grip on the finish, and it is still a pretty nice Chardonnay, with a lot of positive virtues, including its bright, lovely finish. But I just had a little too much vanilla too often. I'll admit this grew on me, and I have some expectation that the oak will integrate a bit with some time, but I'm going to be conservative at the moment. By any measure, it is a very fine Chardonnay. Drink now-2014.

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