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2020 Prelude Vineyards Chardonnay

"This is such an impressive wine. The peach and nectarine fruit has intrinsic depth and power. The textural components are a highlight as is the length of flavour. 40% new oak, no malolactic fermentation." **94 points.**

Barry Weinman, Fine Wine Club, 27 September 2021

"Leeuwin Estate is renowned for its famous Art Series chardonnay... Leeuwin's next level down is the Prelude, a wine that many wineries would be tickled pink to have as their top chardonnay. A generous vintage has produced this generous wine. It shows the further tweaking of the style, which is somewhere in between the earlier vintages and the brief move into a more contemporary style. It works well with the punchy fruit balanced by fine, minerally acidity and a light layer of oak." **93/100.**

Ray Jordan, The West Australian, 19 August 2021

"Sweet vanilla, toast, mandarin, cashew and custard apple aromas suggest breadth, yet nectarine bite and livewire lime acidity delivers tension and twang, propelling the citrus and perfumed pear fruit along. Subtly creamy lees brings texture and roast hazelnut oak (40% new) lends savoury nuance. Hugely enjoyable now with the structure for mid-term ageing." **93 points.**

Sarah Ahmed, Decanter Premium, 6 December 2021

"Offers citrus, pear and pineapple at the core and pretty details of spice, toasted hazelnut and dried floral on the finish, where the flavors gain momentum and a touch of grated ginger lingers." **90 points.**

MaryAnn Worobiec, Wine Spectator, 1 December 2021

"An unusual minty fragrance and edge to the lemon-laced blanched-hazelnuts body of this wine. The acidity is full-bodied with a great sweeping curve across white peach and melon fruit. Elegant, restrained, dusted with spice." 17 points.

Tamlyn Currin, Jancis Robinson.com, 5 November 2021