



## SMALL LOT BARREL FERMENTED CHARDONNAY

NAPA VALLEY

**2019**

### 2019 VINTAGE

Heavy spring rains enriched the soils and delayed bud break by a few weeks. A heat spike in June, followed by warm weather, brought even veraison throughout the vineyards. A cooling trend and touch of rain in mid-September created ideal conditions for the 2019 harvest which is considered a near-perfect vintage. The grapes were picked on October 11, 2019.

### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The grapes for this Napa Valley Chardonnay come entirely from a single block in our estate vineyard in Jameson Canyon that is planted to the Dijon clone. Winds flow through Jameson Canyon, carrying in the cooling influence of the nearby Pacific Ocean and provide a long, cool growing season that enhances the intensity of the Chardonnay flavors. With no malolactic fermentation, 39% new French oak and 11 months of sur-lie aging, our Napa Valley Chardonnay is made in a style that focuses on the inherent qualities of this varietal.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

**APELLATION:** Napa Valley

**VARIETALS:**  
100% Chardonnay

**ALCOHOL:** 14.5% by vol.

**PH:** 3.53

**TA:** 5.2 g/L

**AGING:** 11 months in 39% new French oak

**BOTTLED:** September 3, 2020

### WINE PROFILE

Welcoming aromas of honey, cardamom and jasmine spring from the glass in this 2019 Chardonnay. Flavors of toasted almonds mingle with allspice, white peach and green apple with a nuance of vanilla. This is a beautifully balanced wine with a creamy texture and mouthwatering finish.

