

GOLDEN

2022 California Chardonnay

Golden is a celebration of California sun and California spirit. Located in center of the state, Monterey County is the original capital of California. A region that enjoys rich, fertile soils, warm, consistent weather and cool, coastal influences from the Pacific Ocean. As the nucleus of our estate vineyards, these ideal growing conditions allow us to grow happy grapes to make wonderful wine.

Vintage Notes

The 2022 harvest was a wild ride. A warm end to summer drove us to an earlier than normal harvest and when temperatures started spiking, we ended up with lower yields as berries were smaller and clusters were reduced in size. However, the small berries had intense concentration of flavors and great structure, producing exceptional quality in the wines. We started in early August and harvest for us was over by early-October.

Tasting Notes

The 2022 Chardonnay is consistently a classic California Chardonnay with a more subtle balance of oak and butter characteristics. We believe that the magic of California Chardonnay is captured in the expression of fruit. Golden presents aromas of Gala apple and kiwi with notes of vanilla and hibiscus. On the palate, you find big tropical flavors of papaya and passionfruit with Meyer lemon and stone fruit notes. In the mid-palate, the complexity of vanilla oak, creaminess, and minerality are balanced with acid structure to deliver a wine that is immensely enjoyable on its own but pairs so well with flavors of seafood, lighter meats, and spicy foods. Enjoy young and often.



Varietal(s): 100% Chardonnay
Appellation: 69% Monterey County
31% North Coast AVA
Maturation: Aged 8 months in 30%
1 year old French Oak
Alc./Vol.: 13.45%

HISTORICAL ACCOLADES

BEST BUY – 91 pts – Wine Enthusiast
90 Points – CA State Fair Wine Comp.



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