

BIANCHI

2022 RESERVE CHARDONNAY

VINEYARD + VINTAGE

Crafted from 100% Chardonnay sourced from the renowned Bien Nacido Vineyard in Santa Maria Valley, the 2022 Reserve Chardonnay is an homage to the classic buttery California Chardonnay profile while embracing a brighter, more contemporary expression. Harvested on September 21, 2022, and aged for 12 months in 100% French oak barrels (80% new), the wine balances richness and texture with refined acidity and vibrant fruit. The 2022 growing season presented challenges due to September heat events, but Santa Maria Valley's cool coastal influence and marine breezes preserved freshness and balance, resulting in a Chardonnay that beautifully expresses both power and elegance.

TASTING & PAIRING

Appearance: Pale yellow. *Aroma:* Meyer lemon, apricot, and fresh apple orchard fruit, layered with notes of vanilla, butter, and toasted French oak. *Palate:* Lemon curd, orange blossom, ripe apple, toast, vanilla, and a hint of clove.

Pale yellow in color, this Reserve Chardonnay opens with intense aromas of Meyer lemon, apricot, and fresh apple orchard fruit, layered with notes of vanilla, butter, and toasted French oak. On the palate, flavors of lemon curd, orange blossom, and ripe orchard fruit unfold across a rich, textured mid-palate. Refined acidity and mineral-driven freshness provide balance and lift, while notes of toast, vanilla, and a hint of clove linger through a long, elegant finish. Rich yet vibrant, this Chardonnay pairs beautifully with lobster, crab, roasted chicken, creamy pasta dishes, grilled salmon, and soft-ripened cheeses.



Varietal: 100% Chardonnay
Aging: French oak, 80% new, 12 months
Clone: unknown
Appellation: Santa Maria Valley | Santa Barbara County
R/S: 0.10
Acidity: 3.3pH
ABV: 13.9%
Production: 126 cases
Harvest Date: 09/21/22



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