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Four Graces

2017 WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHARDONNAY

Established in 2003, The Four Graces is committed to making rich, complex wines where the fruit may be elegantly expressed. The winery offers Pinot Noir as well as small amounts of Pinot Gris and Pinot Blanc. The wines come from 2 estate vineyards - the Foley Family Estate, formerly the Black Family Estate, Doe Ridge, and other top sites in the Willamette Valley. Highly acclaimed, The Four Graces wines are hand-crafted in small lots using traditional techniques coupled with the most modern technology in winemaking.



VINTAGE

The 2017 vintage began with a colder than average winter, with multiple snowstorms. Thankfully, Spring saw a return to normal with bud break taking place in April. As Summer approached, the classic warm days and cool nights made for ideal growing conditions without any major heat waves. During the harvest, from September 20th – October 11th 2017, we received less than average rainfall, which allowed for nearly perfect harvesting conditions.

VINEYARD

The grapes for The Four Graces Chardonnay are sourced from the Wilakia Vineyard within the Willamette Valley. This vineyard is planted predominantly with Pinot Noir with only a small portion dedicated to Chardonnay vines. The vineyard displays several different soil types with a variety of elevations that bring unique characteristics to our wine.

TASTING NOTES

This is our inaugural release of the new 2017 Willamette Valley Chardonnay. A fantastic wine with beautiful, bright aromas of fresh pear, lemon zest and coconut. The palate has a lively entry full of citrus notes that transition into a creamy mid palate. The finish is soft with a lingering minerality.

TECHNICAL DATA

<i>Appellation:</i>	Willamette Valley
<i>Vineyard Source:</i>	Willakia Vineyard
<i>Varietal Composition:</i>	100% Chardonnay
<i>Aging:</i>	9 months in French Oak, 15% new
<i>Alcohol:</i>	13.1%
<i>pH:</i>	3.45
<i>Case Production:</i>	288

