



2019 FIRETREE VINEYARD | LOS CARNEROS

# CHARDONNAY

## WINEMAKING

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Chardonnay

### HARVEST DATES

September 15 & 22, 2019

### BRIX AT HARVEST

Average 22.6°

### BARREL AGING REGIMEN

Aged 9 months in French oak

### OVERALL OAK PROFILE

77% in 60-gallon French oak barrels,  
23% in 500L French oak barrels;  
75% in one-year-old French oak and  
25% in two-year-old French oak

pH: 3.44 | TA: 6.23 g/L

ALCOHOL: 14.3% by volume

PRODUCTION: 965 cases

BOTTLING DATE: December 2020

## HERITAGE

**FIRETREE (100%)** – Firetree Vineyard is tucked in the northeastern corner of the Los Carneros AVA, off a narrow road that winds through the hills between Browns Valley and Old Sonoma Road. The Firetree Vineyard site was originally part of the Napa Ranch granted to Salvador Vallejo by the Mexican government in 1838 and was acquired by Silverado 150 years later.

## SOILS + CLIMATE

Firetree Vineyard's steep, 30- to 50-degree slopes of sandstone and shale create a classic site for Chardonnay, with soils of Bressa–Dibble Complex and Cole Silt Loam, complemented by the San Pablo Bay's cooling influence.

## VINTAGE

The beginning of the 2019 growing season was defined by copious rainfall and late soil moisture. The long, warm summer saw very few extreme heat events, with foggy mornings setting the stage for vibrant and expressive wines. The long, relatively mild finish to the season, not without its moments of unpredictability, helped to preserve freshness and finesse in the fruit with abundant hang time teasing out great color, structure, and soft tannins. All in all, exceptional fruit with bright acidity and ample texture.

## TASTING NOTES

Aromas of perfumed white florals, white peach, and green apple carry over to the palate with the addition of juicy white nectarine, tangerine, and fresh ginger. Balanced and round with great energy and minerality, a hint of salinity, and a long citrusy finish.

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