



# CHALK HILL

LITTLE PATCH

2022 CHARDONNAY

THE CHALK HILL ESTATE has a long history experimenting with Chardonnay, both in the vineyard and the winery. One of the great things about an estate is the ability to take the time to do things carefully and thoughtfully. Each Chardonnay block here is planted with the ideal clone and rootstock, the result of years of learning what works best where. This Chardonnay takes its name from the Little Patch vineyard block on our estate. Little Patch has Arbuckle soil and Clone 15 Chardonnay.

Each Chardonnay barrel is unique to best showcase the site from which it was grown - from variations in the barrels themselves to the particular native yeast population that ferments the juice in that barrel. The 2022 Little Patch Chardonnay is medium-bodied with a round, rich and creamy texture that is balanced by generous notes of apple pie, baked bread, pineapple, and a hint of vanilla spice. Fresh acidity carries it through the finish.

## HARVEST

*Harvest Dates:* SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

*Average Yields:* 5.23 TONS / ACRE

*Average Brix at Harvest:* 25.1°

## FERMENTATION / BARREL

100% NATIVE YEAST FERMENTATION IN BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WEEKLY BÂTONNAGE DURING,

THEN MONTHLY

*Cooperage:* 100% FRENCH OAK, 56% NEW

*Barrel Aging:* 15 MONTHS

## WINE

*Blend:* 100% CHARDONNAY

*Bottling Date:* DECEMBER 12, 2023

BOTTLED UNFINED & UNFILTERED

*pH:* 3.52    *TA:* 5.79 G/L    *Alcohol:* 15.1%

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