



CHALK HILL

LITTLE PATCH

2023 CHARDONNAY

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. On the nose, the 2023 Little Patch Chardonnay displays tropical aromas with notes of baked pear, pineapple, baking spices, oak, and a touch of vanilla. The palate is medium-bodied with a round, rich and creamy texture, layers of complex flavors, and crème brûlée on the bright finish.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: OCTOBER 12, 2023

Average Yields: 5.13 TONS / ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 25.3°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

100% NATIVE YEAST FERMENTATION IN BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH WEEKLY BÂTONNAGE DURING,
THEN MONTHLY

Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 68% NEW

Barrel Aging: 12 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% CHARDONNAY

Bottling Date: JANUARY 8, 2025

BOTTLED UNFINED & UNFILTERED

pH: 3.83 *TA:* 5.80 G/L *Alcohol:* 15.0%

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