

CHARDONNAY

Carol Ann

When Proprietor Bill Foley founded Lincourt in 1996, the Sta. Rita Hills region of Santa Barbara County was largely undiscovered. Today it is one of California's most coveted, cool-climate, viticultural regions. Lincourt wines are produced primarily from two estate vineyards within the AVA – wines that are rich, structured, fruit forward, and regionally exact.

VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage was marked by a cooler and longer growing season, which provided fruit of wonderful concentration. The moderate weather throughout the year in the Sta. Rita Hills provided incredible fruit quality and balanced acid levels. Harvest was completed on October 23, 2021.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

As part of the original Spanish Land Grant, Rancho Santa Rosa Vineyard is one of Santa Barbara's most historic properties. This south-facing hillside climbs from 500 to 1,000 feet above sea level. It features 59 individual micro-blocks delineated by terroir, soil type, elevation, grade and exposure to the maritime winds off the Pacific Ocean. The grapes were gently whole cluster pressed and transferred to stainless steel tank after harvest. Regular stirring of the lees imparted additional viscosity and complexity. The wine was aged for 18 months in French oak barrels, 30% new.

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Carol Ann Chardonnay opens with enticing aromas of toasted hazelnut and lime flower, with accents of citrus fruit. On the palate, this wine has balanced lemon fruit notes, crisp acidity, and racy minerality, making it the perfect food-friendly Chardonnay. Carol Ann pairs beautifully with halibut crudo in citrus ponzu.

APPELLATION Sta. Rita Hills | COMPOSITION 100% Chardonnay

HARVEST DATES September 8 - October 23 | COOPERAGE 18 months in French oak, 30% new

ALCOHOL 14.3% | TA 7.89 g/L | pH 3.59

500 cases bottled March 20, 2023



