



# CHALK HILL

## LITTLE PATCH 2021 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 2021 Little Patch Chardonnay is medium-bodied with a round, rich and creamy texture that is balanced by generous notes of baked pear, peach, spice, and vanilla cream.

### HARVEST

*Harvest Dates:* SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

*Average Yields:* 2.39 TONS / ACRE

*Average Brix at Harvest:* 25.0°

### FERMENTATION / BARREL

100% NATIVE YEAST FERMENTATION IN BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH BI-WEEKLY BÂTONNAGE

*Cooperage:* 100% FRENCH OAK, 50% NEW

*Barrel Aging:* 15 MONTHS

### WINE

*Blend:* 100% CHARDONNAY

*Bottling Date:* JANUARY 23, 2023

BOTTLED UNFINED & UNFILTERED

*pH:* 3.59    *TA:* 5.76 G/L    *Alcohol:* 15.1%