

SWANSON

VINEYARDS

SALON WINE SELECTION

2022 CHARDONNAY

NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE

2022 was called a tale of two harvests. A relatively normal growing season began in March with strong vine growth throughout summer. Then, from August to mid-September it was intense and fast-paced. The rain in mid-September created a gap and sudden halt to harvest. The fruit that came in during the second round had beautiful mild weather in early October and lots of time to get to perfect ripeness. 2022 white wines showcase perfect acidity and freshness with remarkable flavors and textures, and red wines are displaying excellent structure with deep red colors, luxurious tannins and exquisite fruit-forward aromatics.

WINEMAKING

These grapes were hand harvested in the cool overnight hours. Once brought to the winery they were whole-cluster pressed to a stainless steel tank and cold-settled. The wine was then racked to barrel for fermentation and 18 months of sur lee aging.

TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Salon Wine Selection Chardonnay offers the ideal blend of fruit and oak. On the nose, the aromas are diverse and intriguing: baked pear, vanilla, cedar, sandalwood, overripe apple, nectarine, butterscotch, and baking spice. On the palate, the wine is medium-bodied with a beautiful creamy texture and peach salinity. The finish is long and clean. Pair with Camembert cheese with peach compote.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Varietal Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Bottling Date: July 28, 2023

Barrel Regime: 10 months in French oak, 30% new

Alcohol: 14.5%