



ESTD 1872

LONG MEADOW RANCH
WINERY

NAPA VALLEY



2022 CHARDONNAY ANDERSON VALLEY

VINEYARD: Anderson Valley

VARIETAL: 100% Chardonnay

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

MATURATION: 13 months in new French oak, then 12 months aging in stainless steel tank

CASE PRODUCTION: 772

FOOD AFFINITIES: Brick cooked chicken, grilled salmon, risotto with wild mushrooms

TASTING NOTES:

A green-hued color with golden flecks. The aromas are intense and complex, intertwining notes of lemon meringue tart, freshly picked apricot and peach, and an intriguing bouquet of warm florals. The palate is round and precise, with beautifully defined floral accents of jasmine and honeysuckle alongside vibrant lemon character. Ample, rounded, and remarkably fresh, this is a Grand Cru-level Chardonnay that is ready to drink now and has the potential to age gracefully for several decades. - Stéphane Vivier

GROWING SEASON:

The 2022 growing season was marked by the extended drought in Northern California. A very dry winter lead to an early bud break and the vines developed slowly. After dodging a few late spring frost scares, the vines continued to develop but stayed small throughout the year. The summer was cool which resulted in a slow, concentrated ripening that allowed maximum flavor and aroma development with low sugar levels and high acidity. We were able to plan harvest at the beginning of a very hot spell around Labor Day. Perfectly balanced, the wines are a true glimpse of this unique vintage, concentrated and lively at the same time.

LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.