ESTABLISHED 1977

# LAKE SONOMA

## 2021

### RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

## CHARDONNAY

2021 began with a dry spring followed by a hot summer which led to an early harvest. The sugars in the fruit developed quickly and the tannins matured nicely. As a result of the summer heat and low water accessibility by the vine, the berries were medium sized with concentrated flavor and a certain freshness which helped create deeply flavored and balanced wines.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

Harvested 10 days apart from the Chalk Hill portion of Russian River Valley. The first pick naturally retained acidity while the second pick created a rich, ripe stone fruit. The result is a balanced Chardonnay with an outstanding length.

### TASTING NOTES

This sophisticated Chardonnay is rich with vivid aromas of poached pear, grilled peaches and toasted marshmallow. The palate combines flavors of nectarine, toasted coconut and Meyer lemon with an even acid throughout followed by a soft lingering finish. This age-worthy wine pairs well with seafood-based dishes like crab, mussels and clams.

### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

**Alcohol:** 14.2%

**pH:** 3.53 **TA:** 5.66 g/l **RS:** 0.2 g/l

Enjoy now through 2032.



91 Points, Wine Enthusiast