

Charles Krug Chardonnay

COUNTRY

United States

REGION

California

GRAPE

Chardonnay

VINTAGE

2021

ABOUT THE DOMAINE

In 1861, Charles Krug, the visionary father of Napa Valley winemaking, established the winery that started it all. In 1943, Cesare and Rosa Mondavi purchased this iconic estate and continued to build on its reputation for innovation and uncompromising quality. Their son, Peter Mondavi Sr., carried on this tradition remaining active in the winery until his passing in 2016 at the age of 101. Today his two sons—Peter Jr. and Marc—steward the family business as co-proprietors intent on building a lasting legacy for their children and those generations still to come. 2018 marked the 75th Anniversary of four generations of Mondavi family ownership of Charles Krug.

WINEMAKING

The cool and foggy Carneros region is known for producing grapes with a natural balance of acidity and ripeness. Fruit was hand-picked in the cool of night to ensure it reached the winery in pristine condition. This elegantly balanced, medium-bodied wine is 53% French oak barrel (14% new) fermented and aged sur-lie. The 2021 growing season was warm and quite stable with crop loads a bit lighter than normal due to drought conditions throughout the state. Harvest of the lighter weight but intensely flavoured clusters began in mid-August for whites, and extended into the red varietals into mid-October.

TASTING NOTES

The wine's bouquet is complex with lemon blossom, white floral, star fruit, and with a touch of oak. Its flavours showcase bright citrus, a hint of apple, and toasty oak on the long finish.



TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol by volume

14.3%

Acidity

0.68/100ml

pH

3.60