

CHATEAU MONTELENA



NAPA VALLEY CHARDONNAY 2022

Napa Valley

ABOUT CHATEAU MONTELENA

Chateau Montelena is renowned for consistently producing age-worthy, classically-styled wines that capture the nuances of each vintage and its distinct terroir. Widely known for winning the Judgment of Paris in 1976, it helped put California at the forefront of the wine world. Today, the winery is honored on the National Register of Historic Places and continues to be owned and operated by the Barrett Family.

THE WINE

Chateau Montelena Napa Valley Chardonnay combines the best of the old-world structure, acidity and grace, with California ripeness and texture. Having zero malolactic notes and limited oak, this style Chardonnay focuses on the importance of vintage, vineyard, and pure varietal character. The bright acidity builds nuanced complexity for 10-30 years. To showcase the ageability of this wine, the vintage of a half-decade prior is re-released alongside the current vintage.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VARIETY: 100% Chardonnay

VINEYARD: Chateau Montelena Chardonnay is cultivated on gravelly soils in the Oak Knoll District at the base of Mt. Veeder.

WINEMAKING: Harvest: Aug. 20 – Sept. 7, Bottling Date: Jul. 2023

VINTAGE: Began with a chilly, early start to the growing season and a generous crop. The remaining fruit exhibited ripe characteristics, adding greater complexity to the finished wine.

ALC. BY VOL.: 13.80%