ChardonnaySimilkameen Valley

SMALL LOT

100% CHARDONNAY

Our 2020 Small Lot Chardonnay comes exclusively from the Similkameen Valley. Set amongst the dramatic backdrop of steep and rugged mountains, this region is considered "the organic capital of Canada." The stony, silty loam soils marked this Chardonnay with an alluring minerality. It is a well-balanced wine with a nose that reveals harmonious notes of peach blossom, stone fruits, lavender, and lemon meringue. There is also a natural freshness, with bright lemon fruit as well as hazelnut and clove accents on the palate, combined with aromas of peach and poached pear. This unique Chardonnay has a well-integrated oak structure giving a pleasant and creamy mouthfeel.

The Vintage

The 2020 growing season was slow to start, with slightly higher than average rainfall and mild temperatures throughout the spring. Hot and dry conditions prevailed from late Spring until harvest and were ideal for berry and tannin development. Harvest was completed before a sudden cold snap occurred towards mid October, ending the season quite abruptly for the region. 2020 had a less than average harvest volume due to small berry size, however, smaller berries resulted in more concentrated fruit flavours.

2020 FERMENTATION September 23 MATURATION 6 months in French oak, 100% new BOTTLING DATE

VINTAGE

August, 2021

RESIDUAL SUGAR $3.5 \, g/L$ ALCOHOL 12.9% TOTAL ACIDITY $4.6 \, g/L$ рΗ 3.7

