



2020 CHARDONNAY NAPA VALLEY

HARVESTED		August 27 – September 23, 2020
BOTTLED		August 31, 2021
COMPOSITION		100% Chardonnay
ALCOHOL		14.9%
WINEMAKER		Katie Vogt

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2020 growing season was ideal for Chardonnay, evoking a wine of remarkable concentration, mature fruit development, and bright, crisp acidity. The season began with a mild, arid winter and early bud break. A cool spring slowed vine development and the long season eased into a steady, temperate summer. Cool mornings and warm, sunny days allowed the fruit to mature gradually and steadily, achieving great complexity, focus, and structure. Dry conditions led to lower yields and small, concentrated berries.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Our 2020 Jayson Chardonnay is layered and dynamic: The mountain fruit of our Pahlmeyer vineyards contributes intensity and crisp acidity, while our lower-elevation blocks offer freshness, tropical notes, and lovely aromatic lift. We hand-harvested each vineyard at optimal ripeness, picking in the predawn hours. Each whole cluster was meticulously hand sorted at the winery before pressing. The wine was gently whole-cluster pressed, naturally settled, and barrel fermented. It was racked from barrel for blending, then aged as a blend for 8 months before racking for bottling.

WINEMAKER IMPRESSIONS

A beckoning perfume of ripe pineapple, Buddha's Hand, and brioche leaps from the glass, leading to a broad, lively palate of lemon curd, mango, and guava. The supple mouthfeel is buoyed by fresh acidity, sustaining the bright flavors, a touch of butterscotch lingering on the finish. –Katie Vogt

ABOUT JAYSON WINES

Jayson wines are born from one of the most renowned winegrowing regions in the world — the iconic Napa Valley. Every vintage is meticulously made with the attention to detail for which Pahlmeyer is known and trusted, while capturing the spirit of its founder whose huge personality, humor and joy for living are an integral part of the Pahlmeyer legacy.



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