



PRECISION

2024 NAPA VALLEY CHARDONNAY

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Blend: 100% Chardonnay | **Alc:** 14.5% by vol. | **Aging:** 8 Months in French oak

pH: 3.5 | **Acidity:** 6.0 g/mL | **Residual Sugar:** 3 g/L

VINEYARDS

This Chardonnay from Napa Valley was crafted with meticulous attention to detail, reflecting the region's reputation for producing world-class Chardonnay. The grapes were harvested from select vineyards known for their exceptional terroir, ensuring optimal ripeness and flavor complexity. After careful sorting, the grapes were gently pressed, and the juice was fermented in a combination of stainless steel tanks and French oak barrels. This dual approach allowed the wine to retain its fresh, crisp characteristics while gaining subtle notes of creaminess and complexity from the oak. A portion of the wine also underwent malolactic fermentation to soften the acidity and enhance the buttery texture, adding richness to the palate. For maturation, the Chardonnay was aged on its lees in the oak barrels, with regular batonnage to increase richness and mouthfeel. This lees aging process contributed to the wine's complexity and depth, providing layers of yeasty and toasty nuances. The careful balance of fermentation techniques and thoughtful maturation ensures that the 2024 Chardonnay from Napa Valley expresses both the freshness of its fruit and the nuanced influence of oak, resulting in a well-rounded and sophisticated wine ready for enjoyment.

WINE

A masterful expression of elegance and complexity, showcasing the exceptional quality of this renowned wine region. It presents a brilliant golden hue, reflecting its rich and refined character. On the nose, this Chardonnay exudes sophisticated aromas of ripe pear and crisp green apple, beautifully intertwined with nuances of creamy vanilla and toasted almond, a testament to its meticulous oak aging. Subtle hints of lemon zest and flint add layers of complexity and freshness. The palate is luxuriously textured, offering a harmonious blend of lush fruit flavors balanced by a vibrant acidity that lends a crisp, refreshing finish. Layers of brioche and a hint of butterscotch emerge, enhancing the depth and persistence of the wine. This 2024 Napa Valley Chardonnay is a true reflection of the region's capability to produce world-class Chardonnay, perfect for enjoying now or aging gracefully to further develop its intricate flavors.

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