



RUSACK

2018 CHARDONNAY

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY



VINTAGE: 2018

VARIETAL: 100% CHARDONNAY

AVA: SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

GROWER/RANCH: 100% BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY: RUSACK VINEYARDS, SOLVANG, CA

BOTTLING DATE: JULY 2019

CASES PRODUCED: 1600 CASES

RETAIL PRICE: \$30.00

RELEASE DATE: SPRING 2021

FERMENTATION: BARREL FERMENTED, 100% MALOLACTIC
LEES STIRRED EVERY TWO WEEKS FOR
FOUR MONTHS

AGING: 10 MONTHS

100% FRENCH OAK (33% NEW)

BOTTLE ANALYSIS: ALCOHOL: 13.6%

pH: 3.37

TA: 0.673g/100ml

TASTING NOTES: HERE, OUR LOVE OF BLENDING HAS RESULTED IN A MARRIAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL FRUIT AROMAS WITH CAREFULLY BALANCED ACIDITY, CAPTURING THE BEST QUALITIES OF THE AREA. HONEYDEW, ASIAN PEAR, ORANGE BLOSSOM, AS WELL AS CITRUS NOTES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN THIS APPEALINGLY CRISP WHITE WINE.

The grapes for our Santa Barbara County Chardonnay come from a cool-climate vineyard within the area – Bien Nacido in Santa Maria Valley, American Viticultural Area (AVA.) After being whole cluster pressed and settled, the juice was barrel fermented in both new (33%) and older French oak. The lees were stirred every two weeks for four months, and the wine underwent a full malolactic conversion. The Chardonnay aged ten months in barrel before being released in Spring 2021.

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