CRŪ WINERY

# 2022 Chardonnay

Sierra Madre Vineyard

## VINEYARD

Sierra Madre Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley

The 2022 CRŪ Sierra Madre Chardonnay is sourced solely from the Sierra Madre Vineyard. First planted in 1971, the vineyard is located in Northern Santa Barbara County, near the western edge of the Santa Maria Valley. The Sierra Madre Vineyard is recognized as one of California's finest cool-climate vineyards and the coldest vineyard in the state leading to a long, drawn-out growing season.

## WINE ANALYSIS

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| Total Acid | 7.0 g/l | Varietal | 100% Chardonnay |
| RS | 0.4 g/l | Appellation | Santa Maria Valley |
| pH | 3.35 | Aging Process | 19 Months French Oak |
| Finished Alcohol | 14.5% | | |
| Case Production | 265 | | |

## APPELLATION DETAIL

Santa Maria Valley

## TASTING NOTES

The Sierra Madre Chardonnay was aged in French oak barrels and went through malolactic fermentation leading to a soft and creamy texture while retaining the wines stunning fruit notes. This elegant Chardonnay opens with soft notes of pear, coconut and roasted marshmallow. The palate is graceful and creamy bursting with flavors of pineapple, vanilla and lemongrass. With a full body and long, creamy finish, this wine leaves you wanting another sip.

The balance of fruit and creamy notes in this showcase Chardonnay pairs beautifully with grilled salmon or shrimp in a garlic butter sauce.

## RELEASE DATE

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