

# 2020 COLUMBIA VALLEY CHARDONNAY

#### COLUMBIA VALLEY ORIGINALS

In 1975 our family planted one of the first vineyards in the Columbia Valley, an area now known for producing some of the world's most powerful, opulent wines of distinction. For three generations we've worked together on our farm to grow exciting, vineyard-driven wines that capture the essence of the Columbia Valley.

### VINEYARD PROFILE

Although designated Columbia Valley on the label, our 2020 Chardonnay is 100% estate-grown, old-vine Red Mountain fruit from our Kiona Estate vineyard. This 3.5 acre block helped pioneer the AVA way back in 1975, and it produces elegant wines worthy of attention.

### WINE PROFILE

Chardonnay thrives in Washington, where the wines are nuanced and layered with a high drinkability. 56% was finished in stainless steel, affording crisp, clean, fruit-forward flavors. The balance spent time in mostly neutral oak and went through malolactic fermentation, adding layering, depth, and complexity. It's a crowd-pleasing wine that's equally at home with a food pairing as it is all by itself.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

ESTATE VINEYARD COMPOSITION //

100% Kiona Estate

OLUMBIA VALLEY

CHARDONNAY

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

100% Chardonnay

CASE PRODUCTION //

476 12 x 750 mL cases, btld May 2021

RETAIL RELEASE //

July 2021, \$15 USD

WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS //

Finished product case weight 34.5 lbs

VITICULTURIST TEAM //

Scott Williams

WINEMAKING TEAM //

Tyler Williams, Mellissa Whitaker, Junior Flores, Scott Williams

#### WINEMAKING //

Harvest dates 9/4, 9/5, 9/10. Vines are the oldest on Red Mountain, fan trained and machine-picked. 56% of volume went through steel ferment, no ML. The remaining 44% went through barrel ferments plus ML. 1 of the 9 barrels was new french oak, the remaining 8/9 were neutral.

#### **VINTAGE NOTES //**

2020 heat and precipitation on Red Mountain tracked very closely with 2018 and 2019 averages. Grapes ripened on time and with very little disease/pest pressure. Yields were great and quality was high; another stellar Red Mountain vintage!

pH // 3.57 TA // 6.15 g/L GLU + FRU // 0.33 g/L ALC. // 13.7% VEGAN // Yes