



BRAVIUM

Anderson Valley

CHARDONNAY

2020



VINEYARD INFORMATION:

Valley Foothills Vineyard rests in the heart of Anderson Valley where the morning marine layer battles with afternoon winds and sun on a daily basis. The Chardonnay in this bottle is grown in two blocks planted to Dijon selections. The cool nights at Valley Foothills Vineyard allow acidity to be retained during ripening. The resulting wine is intense, with lively fruit flavors and a lengthy, saline-tinged finish.

2020 GROWING SEASON:

Favorable conditions at the start of the growing season in my coastal vineyards were followed by mild weather. Following the cool early season, August heat accelerated ripening. I am fortunate to grow grapes in such close proximity to the Pacific Ocean and its moderating influence and am lucky to have been spared the impact of fires and smoke which affected so many other vineyards in 2020. Chardonnay grape yields were lower than average and quality was exceptional in this memorable vintage.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS:

This wine reflects the cool temperatures that prevail at Valley Foothills Vineyard. This wine is pale-gold in color, with floral, citrus and tree fruit aromas. Opens with lemon-lime and green apple flavors, with a lightly creamy mid-palate and medium-plus acidity. This Chardonnay has a savory side with underlying soil signature alongside complex and persistent flavors.

VARIETAL:

100% Chardonnay

APPELLATION:

Anderson Valley

HARVEST DATES:

August 28 and
September 1, 2020

RELEASE DATE:

November 1, 2022

ALCOHOL:

13.7%

PH:

3.43

TA:

6.1 g/L

BARRELS:

Aged 10 months in French and
Hungarian oak (20% New)

COOPERAGES:

Damy, Kadar, and Taransaud

CASES PRODUCED:

1,923 750ml Six-Packs

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Linguistic origin: Latin / Meaning: prize, reward, gift

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