

# Landmark Vineyards



## 2021 DAMARIS RESERVE CHARDONNAY

<b>VARIETAL</b>	Chardonnay
<b>APPELLATION</b>	Sonoma Coast
<b>BARREL REGIME</b>	French oak-aged (35% new) for 14 months
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	60 barrels
<b>WINEMAKER</b>	Greg Stach
<b>BOTTLING DATE</b>	February 2023
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.3% by volume

### VINEYARD NOTES

The 2021 Damaris Reserve Chardonnay is a blend from the Flocchini Vineyard in the Petaluma Gap AVA and the Kiser Vineyard in the western Sonoma Carneros AVA. The ever-present cooling winds of the San Pablo Bay dictate the climate for a moderately cool and highly desired long growing season. The combination of clone, climate, and, ultimately, harvest timing decisions allow the chardonnay fruit for this blend to develop fully mature flavors while maintaining fine balance and acidity.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

Each vineyard block was hand-harvested at night and whole-cluster-pressed upon arrival at the winery. The next day, the juice was put into French oak barrels (35% new) and allowed to slowly ferment with yeasts indigenous to the vineyard and winery. The wine proceeded through full malolactic fermentation with battonage every two weeks to build a creamy and complex mouthfeel. The wine was bottled unfiltered after 14 months in barrel.

### TASTING NOTES

Pale yellow color with aromas of juicy yellow apple, white peach, fresh quince, Meyer lemon, vanilla bean, and toasted oak. The medium-bodied palate, showing a creamy texture and fresh acidity, starts with dried pear, ripe lemon, and peach on entry, with toffee, cinnamon, nutmeg, and vanilla on the midpalate. The finish is long with sustained spice, chamomile tea, citrus, and stone fruit.

### SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRINGS

The 2021 Damaris Reserve Chardonnay is richly layered with abundant fruit and savory spice elements. This wine would be a delicious pairing with rich seafood dishes such as a pan-seared black cod with a beurre blanc sauce.

#### TASTING NOTES BY GREG STACH, WINEMAKER

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