

Landmark Vineyards

2021 SANGIACOMO CHARDONNAY

VARIETAL	Chardonnay
APPELLATION	Carneros
BARREL REGIME	French oak-aged (35% new)
FERMENTATION	Native yeast
WINEMAKER	Greg Stach
BOTTLING DATE	February 2023
ALCOHOL	14.2% by volume



VINEYARD NOTES

Our 2021 Sangiacomo Chardonnay is sourced from the low-yielding Old Wente selection of chardonnay grapes planted at the Kiser Vineyard in the cool and windy Sonoma Carneros AVA. This venerable appellation is highly regarded as one of the finest places in California to grow cool-climate chardonnay. The 2021 vintage of our vineyard-designate Sangiacomo Chardonnay is evidence of the success of our partnership with this legendary Sonoma family.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The grapes sourced for the 2021 vintage were handpicked on the evening of September 5. Each block was delivered to the winery at first light, whole-cluster-pressed, and allowed to settle for two days before being racked to French oak barrels (35% new). The wine was fermented with indigenous yeast, and lees stirring was performed every two weeks to create a creamy mouthfeel. The Sangiacomo Chardonnay went through full malolactic fermentation and is bottled unfiltered; 28 barrels were produced.

TASTING NOTES

Pale straw color with moderate tearing on the glass. The nose is powerful, with notes of apricot, spiced pear, chamomile, white flowers, and vanilla. The wine is dry and balanced on the palate with a rounded texture and moderate acidity and body. Sustained fruit notes of baked yellow apple and Meyer lemon are accented by the earthiness of chanterelle mushrooms, river rocks, and a subtle herbal component on the finish.

SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRINGS

The 2021 Sangiacomo Chardonnay is robust with savory flavors that pair beautifully with dishes such as wild mushroom and ricotta ravioli served in a light cream sauce topped with freshly shaved black truffles. Alternatively, washed-rind sheep milk cheese makes the perfect counterpart for this Chardonnay.

TASTING NOTES BY GREG STACH, WINEMAKER

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