



2021 CHARDONNAY

THE STORY

The LVE Collection by John Legend is the perfect harmony of passion, eloquence and Napa Valley tradition, LVE wines are a unique series of rich, soulful and complex notes inspired by true love, produced in collaboration with Napa Valley's renowned Raymond Vineyards.

Legend Vineyard Exclusive was a dream long in the making. As with his music, John searched for the right collaborator, a vineyard whose pursuit of the perfect blend and standards of excellence equaled his own. With roots deep in the Napa Valley and award-winning wines known for beautiful balance, finesse and power, Raymond Vineyards was the perfect match.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LVE}}$ brings together classic elegance, rich complexity and modern soul.

WINEMAKING

Our Chardonnay comes from a blend of four vineyards (3 in Carneros and 1 in Napa). Some are located on the southwestern side which is cooler and windy with clay soils. Other vineyards are located in a hilly area that is warmer with sandy soils. The mix of locations brings acidity, freshness, and richness to the palate. All the fruit harmonizes to create a well-balanced Chardonnay.

The wine was 100% barrel fermented in a mix of Francois Frere and Orion oak barrels – 24% new – for 10 months before bottling. The wine went through 100% malolactic fermentation with a mix of native and inoculated ferments.

WINE PROFILE

Our 2021 LVE Chardonnay is full, rich and balanced. The nose boasts aromas of white fruit, star jasmine and honeydew melon. Full, rich and long on the palate, it's reminiscent of crème anglaise and toasted brioche with a hint of nutmeg and citrus zest.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Carneros Varietal: 100% Chardonnay Alcohol: 14.5% by vol. pH: 3.41 TA: 6.6 g/L Ageing: 10 months in French oak barrels, 24% new

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