

N A P A VALLEY

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## 2021 Signature Collection Napa Valley Chardonnay



### TECHNICAL NOTES

**Appellation:** Napa Valley

**Varietal:** Chardonnay

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**TA:** 6.1 g/L

**pH:** 3.49

**Fermentation:** 100% barrel fermented, and aged in 18% new French oak for 9 months

### THE SIGNATURE COLLECTION

The Signature Collection is a series of limited-production wines available only through your Boisset Wine Ambassador. Sourced from our finest estate vineyards and longtime vineyard partners, each wine represents our winemaking team's commitment to crafting wines worthy of our five-generation winemaking legacy in Napa Valley.

### IN THE VINEYARD

The grapes for our Signature Collection Napa Valley Chardonnay are grown in two blocks of our estate vineyard in Jameson Canyon, located in southern Napa Valley, just east of Carneros. The grapes spend afternoons in temperatures warmer than the valley floor, but the mornings and evenings are spent in fog with cool, marine breezes ultimately helping to evenly ripen the grapes. This area is ideal for producing Chardonnay with bright acidity and creamy, citrus flavors.

### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Equal parts Dijon clone 76 and clone 4, the grapes were whole cluster pressed. The juice was 100% barrel fermented with a combination of native and inoculated fermentation. The wine was aged for 9 months in barrel with 18% new French oak with no malolactic to provide true varietal complexity and a medium-plus body.

### WINE PROFILE

The 2021 vintage of our Signature Collection Chardonnay opens with bright and crisp aromas of honeysuckle, Asian pear and a touch of orange blossom. Fresh notes are highlighted by enticing flavors of honeydew with a touch of vanilla. Luscious on the palate with traces of pure vanilla, the finish is balanced with bright acidity.