CHARDONNAY 2023

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Vineyards

Secrest Mountain Vineyard, Oliver

Production

Secrest Mountain, our largest contiguous vineyard spanning 40 acres, is a hidden gem tucked behind McIntyre Bluff on a picturesque plateau. Surrounded by wild sage, rattlesnakes, and an unforgiving gneiss bedrock, this terroir imparts a distinctive character to our grapes. Hand-picked on September 1st, the grapes undergo meticulous sorting and are gently whole-berry pressed, capturing the essence of the vineyard. The fermentation is our longest and is a testament to patience, lasting a full month after being inoculated by a pied de cuve cultivated directly in the vineyard. To enhance the wine's creamy texture, gentle lees stirring is employed during its threemonth repose in stainless steel, precisely held at 13 degrees.

Tasting Notes

This wine exhibits the classic notes of cool climate chardonnay; Green and yellow apple mingle with meyer lemon and kumquat. You'll find light melon notes, chalkboard dust and baked pastry topped with a dollop of whipped cream. The texture has been carefully built to show off a beautiful creaminess that unwinds into a long, balanced finish. Perfectly suited to light Pacific Northwest cuisine, this wine invites savoring among friends, paired with a delightful meal: a tribute to any chef or home cook getting swept away in the moment.

Vintage Variety Appellation Acid Residual Sugar Alcohol

2023
Chardonnay 100%
Okanagan Valley
6.04 g/L
6.0 g/L
13%



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