

# 2022 Anderson Valley Chardonnay

#### Winemaker Notes:

This Chardonnay comes from vineyards in the magnificent Anderson Valley. Every effort was made in the vineyard and winery to preserve the delicate floral aromas and flavors and bright acidity. The wine's appearance is light with lifted floral aromas of citrus and stone fruits that give way to a palate offering a lovely balanced persistence and sweetness. Further enhanced by barrel fermentation, malolactic fermentation, and extended battonage.

# Vineyard:

Sourced from established vineyards on the valley floor and mountain tops to create a complex, generous and harmonious wine. The majority of this wine is from Chardonnay clone 548 is sourced from the Valley Foothills Vineyard whose hilltop planting enjoys the cool coastal influence. The remainder is from the Skycrest Vineyard nestled on rugged mountainous valleys planted to numerous clonal selections.

#### 2022 Harvest:

The 2022 vintage had high climate variability beginning with a cool and mild spring followed by a warm summer that led to an early harvest. Grape quality was exceptional with balanced acidity and freshness, resulting in vibrant fruit-forward wines.

## Winemaking:

The grapes were hand harvested at night to preserve the delicate fruit aromas and flavors. This gentle approach continued with whole bunch pressing followed by fermentation and maturation in seasoned French oak barrels. The monthly stirring of the yeast lees helped promote a partial malolactic fermentation and mouth feel. After 10 months of maturation, the wine was then racked from barrel and gently fined and filtered.

Cases produced:733Alcohol:13.25%Bottling date:June 2023Titratable Acidity:6.2 g/LSuggested retail:\$38PH3.4

## About Lula Cellars:

Lula Cellars is a boutique winery located in the revered "Deep End" of the Anderson Valley, whose handcrafted wines attract the highest awards and devoted fans alike. Driven by a passion for the Anderson Valley and the Lula vineyard, Matt Parish assumed winemaking direction with the 2017 harvest. A highly regarded International winemaker, Matt leverages more than two decades of experience to create the perfect portfolio for Lula. While focused on deliciously complex Pinot Noirs, the portfolio includes beautifully balanced Whites, delicate Rosés, and elegant full-bodied Reds.

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