

ADELAIDA

CHARDONNAY HMR 2023

ADELAIDA DISTRICT · PASO ROBLES

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| AROMA | Nectar peach, Fresh wheat, Lilies, River stone |
| FLAVOR | Bartlett pear, Persimmon, Agave syrup, Oleo saccharum |
| FOOD PAIRINGS | Chinese chicken salad with mandarin oranges; Fried green tomato with white shrimp, burrata, avocado and tomato; |
| VINEYARD DETAILS | HMR Estate Vineyard 1600 - 1735 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil |

Adelaida's organically-farmed estate vineyards are located in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. Situated on steep hillsides, these sites lie within the Adelaida District, a sub-appellation in the northwest corner of the wine region. With elevations ranging from 1400 - 2050 ft, limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

The 2023 growing season at Adelaida was the longest and coolest in 12 years. We received 30.66" of rainfall—10 inches more than in the 2022 growing season—and did not see even a single day hit 100F (although we came close on July 15, when it hit 99.77F). We began picking on September 5. August and September were especially cool, and there were many points when we worried that ripening might not occur before the rains came. Fortunately, October days were nice and warm, and the rains did not begin until November 18, well after our final pick of the year on November 8.

The 2023 Chardonnay offers an abundance of fresh, fruit-forward aromas. Initially, Bartlett pear and peach jump out of the glass, creating a juicy and bright flavor accentuated by floral notes of Easter lilies. The perception of agave lends a subtle sweetness and a hint of earthiness to the wine. Overall, the Chardonnay is a well-balanced wine with a mix of fruit, floral, and earth-driven elements. Enjoy now through 2031.



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| VARIETAL | Chardonnay 100% | COOPERAGE | Aged 9 months in 20% new french oak |
| ALCOHOL | 14% | RELEASE DATE | Fall 2024 |
| CASES | 512 | RETAIL | \$50 |

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