ADELSHEIM

2020 WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHARDONNAY

DESCRIPTORS:

APRICOT
KAFFIR LIME LEAF
DELICIOUS

COMPOSITION & APPELATION

100% Chardonnay | Willamette Valley

FERMENTATION:

All of the grapes for this wine were handpicked and gently whole cluster pressed. After the juice settled it was racked to its fermentation vessel, at which point fermentation commenced.

AGING:

This wine was fermented and aged in French oak barrels to complete primary fermentation and was left to age in barrel for 12 months. A portion of this wine (25%) was allowed to completed malo-lactic fermentation. After 12 months the wine was racked from barrel and aged in tank for another 5 months prior to bottling.

FARMING:

LIVE Certified

ALCOHOL | pH:

13% | 3.34

PRODUCTION:

1,968 x 750ml 12pks

HARVEST DATES:

September 21 - October 6, 2020

BOTTLING DATES:

February 9, 2022

RELEASE DATE:

TBD





2020 HARVEST

The 2020 growing season began with a warm and dry spring prompting the vines to emerge from their winter slumber and grace our vineyards with an early April budbreak. An unexpected three-week rain event coincided with bloom, which resulted in one of the lowest yielding vintages the region has experienced. Under these rare circumstances, the grapes ripen naturally without manually reducing yields through cluster removal. The smaller berries result in concentrated flavors from the higher skin to juice ratio. Excitement was high for the vintage, as the canopies were incredibly healthy, yields were low, and the weather was nothing shy of perfect. The summer breezed by without a single stress inducing heat event and with plenty of sunshine to provide the backbone of a noteworthy vintage. We began bringing in the first of the grapes on September 2nd, and we knew our meticulous farming combined with the charming personality of the season was going to result in wines worth celebrating.

TASTING NOTES from WINEMAKER GINA HENNEN

'The clean lines and vibrant palate are the first thing I notice. There's a quality of refreshment to this wine, in the best possible sense. The notes of apricot and Kaffir lime leaf on the nose and juicy tangerine flavors are simply delicious, dovetailing into a long, mineral-driven finish'

VINEYARD

The grapes in this wine come entirely from LIVE certified sustainable vineyards in the north Willamette Valley.