

## VINTAGE NOTES:

In 2021 we had rainstorm during bloom in June that made our crop yield a little lower than anticipated. We also had record breaking high temperatures one weekend this Summer for the Willamette Valley. Thankfully these heat spikes were short lived and by the Fall temperatures were very mild. We had no rain during harvest, allowing optimal ripening and flavor development. 2021 is turning out to be a great complex vintage.

# TASTING AND WINEMAKING NOTES:

This Reserve Chardonnay was grown at Ash Creek Vineyards, our neighbors in the Mt. Pisgah AVA. Fermented in French and acacia barrels, this very limited production wine has aromas of honeydew melon, graham cracker, cinnamon, pineapple, and singed meyer lemon.

The chardonnay was fermented naturally and went through partial malolactic fermentation and saw 25% new French oak. Barrel stirring weekly for 3 months, then bi-weekly.

# ILLAHE RESERVE CHARDONNAY 2021



### TECHNICAL DATA:

175 cases produced FSO2: 28 ppm pH: 3.14

Titratable Acidity: 7.60g/L Alcohol: 12.0%

Vineyard: Ash Creek
Soil: Shallow sedimentary
clay

Elevation: 250-350ft
Native fermentation
Barrel aged: 9 months 25%
new French oak, 50% neutral
French oak, 25% neutral
acacia

Harvest date: 9/14/21
Brix at harvest: 21.0
AVA: Willamette Valley
Notes: LIVE

# SMALL LOTS BARREL AGED HORSE DRAWN WOODEN BASKET PRESSED



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