



**2021 ENROUTE  
EOLA SPRINGS VINEYARD CHARDONNAY  
OREGON**

**TECHNICAL NOTES**

**Appellation:** Oregon

**Varietal:** 100% Chardonnay

**Harvest Dates:** September 21, 2021

**Fermentation:** Whole Cluster Pressed;  
Barrel Fermented in 40% New French Oak Barrels

**Aging:** Aged on the lees for 12 months in  
40% New French Oak with weekly barrel  
stirring for 2 months following harvest

**Release Date:** Fall 2023

**Alcohol Level:** 13.9%

**First Vintage:** 2021

**Winemaker:** Michael Accurso

**Vice President of Winemaking:** Andrew Delos

**VINEYARD DESCRIPTION**

Eola Springs Vineyard is located in the Eola-Amity Hills AVA of Oregon, the vineyard is positioned in the throat of the Van Duzer corridor which provides ample ventilation to temper the vines throughout the growing season and intensifies the sharp diurnal effect of the site with its cool nights and warm to hot days. The vineyard's diverse soils result from a geologic history of plate tectonics, volcanism, and glaciation. More recently, alluvial deposits and erosion have made their mark creating a diverse and fertile vineyard that produces exceptional Chardonnay.

**HARVEST NOTES**

In 2021, Oregon enjoyed a warm and dry spring that continued through May. First signs of bloom appeared in early June, ahead of normal. As fruit set was occurring later in June, temperatures cooled and up to two and a half inches of rain fell. While rain during bloom can lead to lighter yields, the precipitation was critically important to alleviating serious drought stress. The grapes weathered a couple of summer heat spikes with no damage. A couple of rain systems in September were short-lived and typical of an Oregon harvest. Yields were slightly lower with somewhat smaller berries but overall, the fruit quality was outstanding.

**SENSORY EVALUATION**

Our 2021 EnRoute Eola Springs Vineyard Chardonnay is lively and lithe with aromas of lemon curd, stone fruit blossoms and citrus zest. On the palate, there is firm acidity and has a solid mineral structure with refreshing flavors of honeysuckle and seashell brine. The long and bright finish is accented by elegant notes of apple pie spice.

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