

ROBERT MONDAVI WINERY

2022 Chardonnay CARNEROS

The Estates Tier highlights wines sourced from a collection of vineyards in select appellations within the Napa Valley, deemed by our winemakers to be among the very best.

The grapes for our Carneros Chardonnay were grown on the foggy, wind-swept slopes of the region. The cool nights, foggy mornings, and afternoon breezes that blow in from San Pablo Bay allow for the slow, even ripening needed for the development of key flavors and aromas.

VINEYARD SOURCING: The fruit for our 2022 Carneros Chardonnay came from two spectacular sites on the Napa side of Carneros AVA, one of which offers bright acidity and minerality, and the other a rich stone fruit density.

VINTAGE NOTES: The 2022 vintage was mild, dry, and very pleasant through August. Temperatures surged for a week in August. Our grape growing and winemaking teams worked nonstop to keep the vines healthy and happy until temperatures cooled. In spite of a few hot bumps in the road, this year's wines are shaping up to be gorgeous indeed. The fruit for this Chardonnay was hand harvested between September 6 and 8. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation, during which each lot was evaluated individually and its fermentation stopped at optimal texture. The wine aged sur lies for eight months in French oak to add a subtle, toasty character.

AROMAS

Fresh peach, Golden Delicious apple, citrus blossom, almond, and subtle toast

FLAVORS

Tart stone fruit, lemon zest, almond paste, hazelnut, and a minerality

BODY

Juicy, fresh, and elegant with a pleasing viscosity and a good length

PLACE

Carneros, in the southern end of Napa Valley



WINE ANALYSIS

TA: 5.9 g/L | Final pH: 3.3
RS: 0.17 g/L | Alc/Vol: 14.7%

COMPOSITION

100% Chardonnay

BOTTLED JULY 2023

