

Chardonnay Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley, Oregon 2021

Our story began in 1971 when our parents, Susan Sokol and Bill Blosser, first planted vines in the now-famous Dundee Hills of Oregon's Willamette Valley. As second generation winegrowers, we are passionately committed to our family's legacy of creating world-class wines. Our wines are made from organic grapes, crafted sustainably with the environment at the forefront of our minds, that express the distinctive flavors of our hillside vineyards.

Alex, Alison, & Nik Sokol Blosser
Siblings and Second Generation Winegrowers

VINTAGE HIGHLIGHTS

2021 was the 2nd warmest growing season we have ever seen since 2015. We also got to add a new term to the dictionary: Heat Dome. Three straight days of triple digit temperatures in late June breaking heat records for the Willamette Valley! Bud break started like usual in the middle of April. We had the driest March/April/May that the Valley has seen through 128 years of record keeping! Bloom, or flowering, also appeared on time in early/mid June. While late June brought the "Heat Dome", our grapes made it through thanks to bloom being finished at all our sites and there still being soil moisture, so they grew like crazy over those three days of hellish temperatures. July and August turned out to be exceedingly hot and dry, thankfully September started off mild with a couple of rain events that allowed us to fully ripen the grapes. The hot and dry summer made for fruit that was extremely clean, making for excellent fermentations. All in all, mother nature gave us something to be grateful for on our 50th anniversary.

HARVEST DATE

September 7th, 9th, and 16th WINEMAKING

Hand harvested Whole cluster pressed 85% fermented in French Oak barrels, 15% in our concrete egg

<u>AGING</u> Stainless steel with intense lees stirring APPELLATION Dundee Hills Willamette Valley, Oregon <u>VINEYARDS</u> Durant, Anderson Family, Two Barns, and our Estate La Joya Block <u>SOIL</u> Jory VARIETAL ALCOHOL BY VOLUME 13.5% BOTTLED April 2022

PROPER CELLAR LIFESPAN 8-10 years

PRODUCTION 724 cases

<u>SUGGESTED RETAIL</u> \$42

WINE PROFILE

On the nose, our 2021 Estate Chardonnay shows notes of candied lemon peel, jasmine, and yellow apple, accented with vanilla and elderflower. On the palate, the yellow apple and jasmine are joined by lemon curd, vanilla and finishes with a touch of butter.

PAIRINGS

This wine will pair beautifully with roasted Halibut, classic fried chicken, or fresh Dungeness crab.

SCORES

90 points Wine Spectator, 90 points Wine Enthusiast, 91 points Decanter

STORY

We know

Pinot.

We make our Chardonnay in the true Oregon style, with less oak and more fresh acidity. Our goal is to showcase the beautiful flavors of Dundee Hills grown Chardonnay fruit and let the wine speak for itself.



