

CHARDONNAY

CALIFORNIA 2024

SUSTAINABLY PRODUCED



APPELLATION: California

AGING: 70% Stainless steel 30%

French Oak

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

HESS SELECT WINES

Hess Select wines are sourced from grower families throughout California who share the guiding principle that our founder, Donald Hess, instilled in our family business: "nurture the land and return what you take." We strive to make the very best wines that elevate the everyday and honor our family legacy.

TASTE WITH THE WINEMAKER

This classic California Chardonnay showcases tropical aromas of grilled pineapple, a touch of lemon zest, and a hint of well-balanced oak. Our Select Chardonnay is medium-bodied, with layers of sliced peaches and golden delicious apples, leading to a crisp, clean finish with balanced acidity. The bright acidity from the vineyards pairs beautifully with the oak fermentation, which imparts a creamy crème brûlée finish.

2024 VINTAGE

The 2024 growing season was exceptional for winemaking, with early season rainfall providing optimal soil conditions and promoting even bud break. As winter precipitation tapered off in March, ideal spring drying conditions followed, setting the stage for a remarkable growing season. A heatwave over Labor Day accelerated ripening, condensing the harvest period and resulting in a harvest that wrapped up two to three weeks earlier than the previous year. The 2024 wines are bold and aromatic, with a remarkable structure and deep, intense color, showcasing the full potential of this outstanding vintage.