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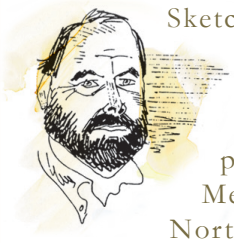
CHARDONNAY

MENDOCINO COLLECTION

Vintage | **2020**

HISTORY



Sketchbook Mendocino Collection is an expression of the real people, places, and tastes of Mendocino County, Northern California—a region celebrated for its wild natural beauty, free-spirited culture, and generations of independent grape growers. Each Sketchbook wine is a master class in the art of observation, beginning—as great artworks do—with humbly honest, specific attention to the unique characteristics of each vineyard, vine, and vintage.

VINTAGE

Marked by a dry, mild growing season, the 2020 harvest saw bud break occur a week earlier than 2019. with late summer heat spikes accelerating ripening at harvest. A smaller than average crop, the the whites have a bright acidity with nice balance of fruit, and the reds excellent color and extraction from small berries.

TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION:
Mendocino County

COOPERAGE:
French & Hungarian oak

BOTTLING DATE: 07/29/21

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

TA: 0.47 g/100mL

pH: 3.57

TASTING NOTES

Nestled between rugged coastal mountains and ancient redwood forest, Mendocino's benchland vineyards produce Chardonnay grapes full of rich varietal character—ripe and round with flavors of creamy vanilla, white peach, apricot and toasted oak.

WINEMAKING

At the headwaters of the Russian River, Mendocino County is considered one of California's pristine and less traveled wine regions. An area known for its simple way of life and breathtaking natural beauty, the grapes grown here express the care that results from generations of family farmers.

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