

2021 Chardonnay

Petaluma Gap • Sonoma County



This dazzling Chardonnay is sourced from Gap's Crown Vineyard, which is located at the base of Sonoma Mountain in the Petaluma Gap AVA. This amazing AVA is defined by its unique micro-climate and terroir that produces elegant, well-rounded grapes with distinct character. Each afternoon, the daily coastal breezes and fog that sweep inland from the Pacific Ocean through the "Gap" creating cool temperatures and conditions that are ideal for growing cool, weather grape varieties, thus allowing us to grow absolutely stunning Chardonnay grapes. We are unquestionably in LOVE with this wine!

The Starfield Vineyards 2021 Petaluma Gap Chardonnay displays a brilliant golden color, with aromas of fresh lemon, lilac, ripe stone fruit, nectarine, and vanilla bean, supported by a hint of minerality, English toffee and honeydew melon. On the palate, it is full-bodied yet bright and crisp with a creamy mouthfeel and impeccably balanced acidity. The flavors are dominated by ripe apricot, dried tangerine, honeydew melon and lemongrass, with a backdrop of lightly toasted oak. The subtle complexity and roundness of the palate is a result of being barrel-fermented and aged for 14 months in 50% new French oak. The Petaluma Gap terroir is evident in the wine, adding a unique minerality and a touch of salinity that gives it distinct character. This wine is pure finesse in a bottle and will continue to drink beautifully now and through the next 5 years.

WINE PROFILE

GRAPE VARIETY:	100% Chardonnay
APPELLATION:	Petaluma Gap AVA Sonoma Coast
VINEYARD:	Gap's Crown Vineyard
VINES:	Planted 2002
ELEVATION & SITE:	300 feet
ALCOHOL:	14.9%
pH:	3.63
ACIDITY g/L:	6.0
CELLARING:	14 months in 50% new French oak and 50% neutral French oak, stirred on lees for 9 months
BOTTLING DATE:	December 2022
PRODUCTION:	97 cases

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