



HILL FAMILY
E S T A T E



2019 Reserve Chardonnay

Production: 245 cases

Composition: 98% Chardonnay and 2% Semillon

Vineyards: Napa Golf Associates, Mahoney, Watson and Windy Flats

Appellation: Napa Valley

Elevation: Foothills about 500 ft, and rolling hills

Cooperage: 50% new barrels (30% Francois Freres, 10% Remond Ailliers, 10% Nadalier Perle Blanche)

Alcohol: 13.9%, TA 5.8, pH 3.55

Bottling date: August 5, 2020

Release date: Summer 2022

Release price: \$65.00

The 2019 Hill Family Estate Reserve Chardonnay is a graceful, elegant wine showing both its cool climate pedigree and the advantage that great sites have on Chardonnay. The wine was barrel fermented with MV3001 and X16 yeast and then stayed in French oak barrels for eight months. 90% of the wine went through malolactic fermentation and we continued with battonage every two weeks to increase depth and texture. It was then racked to a stainless steel tank for 4 weeks for a reductive rest before bottling.

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2019 Reserve Chardonnay presents integrated aromas of lemon, peach, caramel, hazelnut and toasted coconut. The palate is rich, ripe and fruity, with soft lemon and apple flavors. The long-tapered finish will really make this wine shine with food!