
LANGE ESTATE VINEYARD

2020 Classique Chardonnay



THE SERIES The Classique series includes three varietals—pinot gris, chardonnay, and pinot noir. The provenance of this tier of wines is Oregon's North Willamette Valley, a broad and diverse American Viticultural area. Whatever the Classique series might lack in specificity of source, it makes up for in rambunctious fruit-driven style, intended more for immediate hedonism rather than cellaring.

The 2020 Classique Chardonnay was produced with fruit from Freedom Hill, Durant, and our own Lange Estate vineyards.

THE VINTAGE "The 2020 growing season began with an early spring followed by inclement weather at bloom. This contributed to a reduced berry set and provided historically low yields across varietals and sites. While low yields can prove problematic for farmers, they are generally a boon for consumers and an attribute of high-quality wines. Buttressed by a warm summer that provided a great balance of daytime highs and nighttime lows, the resultant harvest yielded fruit that was beautifully ripe and packed with richness and complexity. Total growing degree days suggest parallels to superb vintages like 2004, 2006, and 2018. This is a happy indicator that Lange Estate's 2020 wines will be a vintage to savor!"
— Winemaker, Jesse Lange

VARIETAL	100% chardonnay	AROMAS	pear, yellow apple, fresh-baked pastry, blanched almond
CLONES	traditional Dijon clones	FLAVORS	yellow apple, d'Anjou pear, melon lemon zest, flinty minerality
APPELLATION	Willamette Valley	BODY	supple and fresh, with steely acidity and persistence
ALCOHOL	13.3%	FINISH	orchard fruit, lemon zest, crushed stone
PRODUCTION	1,500 cases	ACCOLADES	2020 - 91 Points James Suckling 90 Points - International Wine Review 2019 - 92 Points - James Suckling 91 Points - "Editors' Choice" Wine Enthusiast 2018 - 90 Points - Wine Enthusiast 2017 - 90 Points - "Years Best US Chardonnay" Wine & Spirits
FERMENTATION & AGING	stainless steel and neutral French oak puncheons		
RETAIL	\$19		