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## LANGE ESTATE WINERY

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### *2022 Classique Chardonnay*

**VINEYARDS** The 2022 Classique Chardonnay is part of our Classique Series, designed to showcase our Lange style, and be a reflection of the region's unique climate, geography, and growing conditions on a macro scale. Our Classique series is rambunctious and fruit-driven in style, with the character to bring enjoyment over the long term.

**THE VINTAGE** "Winter precipitation was above the 1991-2021 average by about 10%. April came on with great promise, then, the middle of the month turned cold, leading up to an unprecedented freeze that impacted some primary buds. Our spring and early summer continued to be quite cool (at around 2.2° below average) with rain events persisting into early June.

As we moved into summer, the season came on strong, hot and dry, with temperatures running almost 6° above normal from August through October. This was the point at which our abundant winter rains came into play, allowing the canopy to stay green well into the fall. Warm, dry conditions in October gave us the latitude to ripen all the fruit that had gotten off to a late start. Our last pick on October 21st ended just before the autumn rains commenced. The yields across all vineyards, which were projected to be 30% of normal, ended up in the normal range. Early indications point to lovely, classic white wines with ripe fruit character and well-defined acid backbones, while our pinot noirs show high-toned aromatics and rich, concentrated flavors." — Executive Winemaker, Don Lange

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<b>VARIETAL</b>	100% chardonnay	<b>AROMAS</b>	citrus blossom, pink lady apple, nectarine
<b>CLONES</b>	traditional Dijon clones	<b>FLAVORS</b>	starfruit and baking spices accented with smooth inner florals and candied lime
<b>APPELLATION</b>	Willamette Valley	<b>BODY</b>	silky-smooth and fresh
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	13.2%	<b>FINISH</b>	density from ripeness, but remains fleet-footed with nimble acidity
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	645 cases	<b>ACCOLADES</b>	2022 -92 Points - Wine Enthusiast 92 Points - Decanter 91 Points - James Suckling 91 Points 'Critic's Choice' - Northwest Wine Report 91 Points - Owen Bargreen 90 Points - Vinous
<b>FERMENTATION &amp; AGING</b>	85% stainless steel with 15% new French oak		
<b>RETAIL</b>	\$25		