

# 2023 Reserve Jarman Chardonnay

## TASTING NOTES

The 2023 Reserve Jarman Chardonnay has a warm, elegant bouquet with notes of banana and bread pudding. The palate is round, giving bright lemon rind and lime notes with smooth minerality. The center is silky from this wine's aging in 100% New French Oak, accenting a finely textured, well-integrated finish. This wine will develop in the bottle for years to come.

VARIETY	100% Chardonnay
CLONES	CH17 / CH76
BARREL AGING	100% New French Oak, 5 months
APPELLATION	Carmel Valley AVA
HARVEST DATE	October 13, 2023
ALC/VOL	14.2%
PRODUCTION	150 Cases

## THE VINTAGE

The 2023 vintage showed a distinct contrast to that of 2022. Heavy rains continued into the early Spring, refilling reservoirs and ground water, and setting the vineyard up for a strong and healthy year. Bud-break was late, giving the plants a delayed start on the growing season. A prolonged cool period of weather during set proved positive, as the vines were able to develop slowly with above-average yield. Cool Spring weather gave way to a very moderate Summer, delaying the start of harvest to a record pick date of September 13 for Jarman Sparkling Brut Rosé. Harvest concluded with the Syrah pick on October 30, Holman Ranch's latest harvest to date. In the cellar, the wines showed great elegance and restraint. The cool ripening season and late harvest have given the whites freshness and vibrancy. The reds show real finesse and depth, and are reminiscent of an old-world style. There is no doubt that they will age slowly and gracefully, revealing increased levels of nuance and complexity as time goes on.

## THE VINEYARD

We make a range of wines which demonstrate the unique characteristics of our soil and climate. We take great care from the beginning to the end of production. Our rootstocks and California / Dijon clones are carefully selected. We employ organic and sustainable farming practices, avoiding any pesticides or herbicides. Ultimately, Holman Ranch wines reflect a balance and a complexity, which set them apart.

