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2022 Chardonnay
Hyde Vineyard Carneros

VINEYARD PROFILE

Planted in 1979 by Larry Hyde, this vineyard epitomizes a fusion of Old World elegance and New World vibrancy. Nestled in Los Carneros, its south by southeast exposure and ancient terraced alluvial fans are complemented by the cooling maritime influence of San Pablo Bay. With Haire Loam Clay soil fostering deep-rooted vines, this site yields concentrated fruit from vines aged between 29 and 45 years old. Larry Hyde's contributions, including esteemed grape selections like Hyde-Wente Chardonnay and the "Old Wente" and Calera clones, underscore the vineyard's stature as a vanguard of viticultural excellence in California.

WINE PROFILE

On the palate, this Chardonnay exhibits a beautifully balanced acidity, providing a refreshing backbone to luscious flavors of ripe pear, honeydew melon, and citrus blossom. Rich, creamy texture envelops the palate, showcasing the wine's impeccable craftsmanship and elegant structure.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The 2022 Napa Valley vintage was characterized by ideal weather conditions, resulting in exceptional grape quality and promising yields. Ample sunshine and moderate temperatures throughout the growing season allowed for optimal ripening and flavor development. Vintners celebrated balanced acidity, rich fruit expression, and refined tannin structure in the wines. The vintage stands as a testament to the resilience and expertise of Napa Valley's winemaking community, offering enthusiasts an array of memorable and captivating expressions reflective of the region's unparalleled terroir.

Appellation:	Carneros, Napa Valley
Vineyard:	Hyde Vineyard
Varietal:	100% Chardonnay
Harvest Date:	August 31, 2022
Alcohol:	13.36%
Aging:	After fermentations were complete, the wines aged in 50% new French barrels for 10 months.
Fermentation:	In used French oak/stainless steel. Primary fermentation concluded quickly, about 10 days, followed by 3 weeks to complete. During secondary fermentation, daily lees stirring was conducted.

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