

2021 Chenin Blanc Lyman Ranch Vineyard Amador County

Grown in red granitic soils at 1400'within Amador County, this warm mountainous site grows a unique expression of Chenin Blanc. The ferrous soils and exposure ripen these thickskinned golden grapes quickly and with loads of tropical fruit. The cold foothill nights help the grapes retain their acidity and freshness and we pick early to balance the tropical fruit flavors with all that fresh alpine acidity.

100% Chenin Blanc
100% Lyman Ranch
100% Whole Cluster Pressed
Ambient yeasts
Fermented in Stainless Steel, new Austrian Oak and neutral French Oak barrels
Aged in 70% neutral French Oak Barrels for 10 months
Aged in 30% new Austrian Oak Barrels (Stockinger) for 10 months
3.45 pH
13.5% Alc By Vol

Tasting Note:

Mirabelle plums, lemon grass, green apple candy and peach pit. The palate is loaded with minerals and concentrated stone fruit flavors and ripe bosch pear. Long and polished, this is modern Chenin Blanc, gravelly and intense but with a streak of ripe fruit to hold it all together. Absolutely gorgeous now, but surely to improve in the bottle for another 3-5 years as well.