## Robert Foley VINEYARDS



CHARDONNAY

APA VALLE

## 2023 CHARDONNAY

The celebrated white grape variety of France's Chablis, Burgundy and Macon regions is widely grown in the New World where it has often been associated with winemakers' heavy-handed use of oak.

In celebration of this superb grape variety, our Oak Knoll District Chardonnay sees no oak at all in order to display the true varietal definition. Following night-time harvest, the cool fruit is whole-cluster pressed to minimize maceration of the skins and delicately yield fresh juice which is then cold-settled and fermented in stainless steel at lower temperatures.

This prevents the malo-lactic fermentation and helps preserve the natural acid profile. Aging on the yeast lees for 6 months contributes a creaminess to the mid-palate, which balances beautifully with the delightful fruitiness, healthy integrated natural acidity and long lingering finish.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

Wine: 2023 Chardonnay Appellation: Oak Knoll AVA, Napa Valley Variety: Chardonnay Harvest: September 2023 Aging: 95% Stainless, 5% French Oak Alcohol: 13.7% Bottled: April 2024 Production: 733 cases Winemaker: Bob Foley Retail Price: \$40