# cória estates

# 2018 Chardonnay

## AVA

Willamette Valley, Oregon

#### **TASTING NOTES**

This Barrel Aged Chardonnay is showing gorgeous notes of green pear, minerality, with a soft honeyed finish.

#### **VINEYARD**

A&E Farms / Cória Estates Grace Hill Vineyard - Junction City, Oregon

Grace Hill Vineyard in the southern Willamette Valley AVA in Junction City, Oregon. In 1982 Grace Hill planted 3.5 acres of Johannisberg Clone Riesling, providing luscious stone fruit and subtle petrol notes.

#### **VITICULTURE**

## Climate

The 2019 growing season was warmer and drier than average. Total precipitation was down a bit at 38.4 inches, which is 3.4 inches below the 30-year average. We had typical Fall weather at harvest, it was rainy harvest.

# Soil

Fruit sourced from A&E Farms is planted on Nekia clay loam. Nekia is a well-drained, volcanic soil characterized by its high content of volcanic ash. The soil is well-suited to the cool, climate of our region.

Fruit sourced from Grace Hill Vineyards is mostly made up of clay soil. Clay soil is very effective at retaining water and nutrients, Ideal for growing grapes. Clay soil also helps to regulate the temperature of the soil, which is important for grape growing.

Elevation: Varied f.a.s.l.

#### WINEMAKING

Yeast: CY3079

Production Style: Whole Cluster press to tank. Inoc in tank, completed primary there, then transferred to barrel. Finished full MLF in barrel. Barrel aged 14 months.

Wine ABV: 13.3% Wine pH: 3.12 Wine TA --R.S. > .5%

Filtration: Pad / Sterile

#### Harvest

Tons: 5.066 Harvest Date: 9/29 - 10/16/2018 Harvest Method: Hand Picked Conditions: Normal fall weather

PH @ Harvest 3.33 Brix @ Harvest 22.4

## **Bottling**

Cases: 260 + 9 Btls (12x750ml) Bottle Date: 2/13/2020 Release Date: June 2020

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