

## 2017 LEAPING HORSE CHARDONNAY



Ironstone Vineyards

Region Lodi, California

Country United States

Wine Composition

90% Chardonnay, 10% Viognier Alcohol 13.5% Total Acidity 5.0 G/L Residual Sugar

**pH** 3.57

2.22 G/L

## DESCRIPTION

Medium bodied, with a pale-yellow hue, the 2017 Leaping Horse Chardonnay is bright and crisp, from start to finish. It has citrus highlights to green apples, pears and tropical fruit aromas and flavors. The finish shows a bit of lemon zest and a tight minerality that is refreshing and enjoyable.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Ironstone practices sustainable viticulture such as crop reduction, leaf removal, organic materials and drip irrigation to improve the quality of the grapes and intensity of flavors. Cover crops, which attract beneficial insects, are also employed, as well as the placement of owl and wood duck boxes around the vineyards and ponds to help preserve the surrounding habitats. This Chardonnay comes from soils that are sandy loam and well-drained allowing the ripeness to come through to the grapes. The wine spends four months' aging in new French oak.

## **SERVING HINTS**

This Chardonnay should be served chilled on-its-own or paired with a variety of cuisines and dishes, such as vegetarian pastas, herb-roasted chicken, grilled salmon, barbecued scallops, seafood pasta in cream sauce, and many other seafood or shellfish dishes. Also wonderful on its own..

