



# 2020 IRONSTONE RESERVE CHARDONNAY

## WINE DATA

### Producer

Ironstone Vineyards

### Region

Sierra Foothills, California

### Country

United States

### Wine Composition

90% Chardonnay,  
10% Viognier

### Alcohol

14.5%

### Total Acidity

5.5 G/L

### Residual Sugar

3.1 G/L

### pH

3.56

## DESCRIPTION

The 2020 Reserve Chardonnay is full of expressive flavors and aromas. Exhibiting fine mineral qualities that are a hallmark of grapes produced in the Sierra Foothills, the Reserve Chardonnay has an extremely concentrated tropical fruit flavor and rich body, with nuances of citrus, peaches, pears, stone fruits, vanilla and ripe apples. The nose opens with savory scents of caramel and vanilla followed by exotic notes of spice and melon.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Located at 2,400 feet above sea level, these grapes were estate-grown at the winery's Hay Station Ranch vineyard, where warm days are cooled by the evening mountain air. This ranch has been in the Kautz family for four generations. Grapes have been grown in the Sierra Foothills for 150 years. And what started as a cattle ranch has now become home to over 100 acres of premium mountain vineyards.

The Kautz family has been promoting and working with sustainable viticulture for over 35 years. Crop reduction, leaf removal, organic materials and drip irrigation are used throughout the vineyards to improve the quality and intensity of flavors.

This reserve wine was aged "sur lie" in new French oak barrels that were hand-stirred weekly for the initial four months of the aging process. It then remained in for 8 additional months in small French oak barrels (and for some additional bottle aging prior to release).

## SERVING HINTS

This Chardonnay pairs well with a variety of cuisines and dishes, from French onion soup to fish.

