

Mark Ryan

WINERY

CHARDONNAY *Chardonnay | Yakima Valley | 2017*

Winemaking Notes

In the spring of 2013 we partnered with Leif Olsen from Olsen vineyard and selected a site that would produce world class Chardonnay. With its north slope, diverse soils and over 1200 feet of elevation the site offers a truly dynamic climate perfect for Chardonnay. Three distinct clones were chosen specifically to augment the already incredible characteristics of the site. Clone 548 is a low yielding clone that offers great aromatic intensity (tropical and stone fruits) and palate weight. Clone 76 provides a very elegant aromatic profile (minerality and citrus) with beautiful focused acidity. Clone 809 is a Chardonnay musqué clone known for its highly perfumed, muscat like aromatic (floral and sweet) and intense presence in the palate. Harvested on September 17th the fruit was whole cluster pressed and settled overnight. After being transferred to barrel the wine was inoculated and fermented at very low temperatures for over 30 days. During its time in barrel the wine completed malolactic fermentation and was gently stirred to suspend the lees and add greater depth and weight to the palate. The wine was aged in 46% new French oak, 40% used French oak and 14% stainless steel for 10 months and was bottled on June 22nd 2018.

Tasting Notes

This Olsen Vineyard Chardonnay has warm golden straw hues and offers alluring aromas of peaches, ripe pear, and butterscotch. These enticing aromatics lead into a full-bodied and lush palate that starts with white blossoms, Meyer lemon, and honeydew. Mid-palate juicy acidity combines with honeysuckle and apple that finishes with integrated oak and minerality.

BLEND

100% Chardonnay

BARREL

46% New French Oak,
40% Used French Oak,
14% Stainless Steel

Aged for 10 months

PRODUCTION

420 cases

RELEASE

October 5, 2018

APPELLATION

Yakima Valley

VINEYARDS

Olsen

Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** is a small winery located in Woodinville, Washington. Our goal is to produce handcrafted wines that represent the vineyard from which they come, the character of the varietal, and our style. From the vineyards to the winery, our uncompromising commitment to quality and our passion to produce the best wines possible, inspire us to make these wines for you.



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