# 2020 Chardonnay Grand Klasse Columbia Valley AVA





Release Date: August 2023

Winemaker: Matías Kúsulas

> Vineyard: Solaksen Conner Lee

Blend: 100% Chardonnay

> Alcohol: **14.**%

Cases Produced: 306

MSRP: \$42



#### The Wine

Caramelized pineapple, baked apple, lemon oil, and hints of fir. The 2021 Chardonnay Grand Klasse begins ripe, with hints of citrus and a touch of greenness on the nose. Swirling brings ripe stone fruit, wet stone, oak spice, and dried herbs. The mouthfeel is rich and layered, with a great combination of citrus and tropical fruits. The texture and tension here are remarkable, showcasing high purity and elegance. Extremely long, the wine finishes vibrant and with the right amount of sweetness and a saline touch to balance it out. Beautiful now, you can enjoy this fantastic Chardonnay in the next 12 years.

#### **The Grand Klasse Label**

Inspired by the French Grand Cru wines, Gård "Grand Klasse" is our reserve-level program, aptly named in reflection of our Scandinavian heritage. To be designated "Grand Klasse," each wine must meet strict standards of quality and is blended, bottled and aged with the utmost of care to bring you the very best of our grapes and effort in the bottle.

### The Vineyard

Gård Vintners is 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards, featuring eight distinct vineyard sites in the Royal Slope AVA. With elevations that range 930 feet to 1,675 feet and primarily a southfacing slope, Lawrence Vineyards provides a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of each of the locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. We also farm vineyards on the Wahluke Slope and Conner Lee in the Columbia Valley. Lawrence Vineyards is certified sustainable by Vinewise.org.

## The Winery

Gård, meaning "farm" in many of the Scandinavian languages, is a tribute to our family's Scandinavian heritage and farming tradition. Founded in 2006, Gård Vintners is a family-owned and operated estate winery in the heart of Washington's Royal Slope AVA, with vineyards on the Royal Slope, wine production in Prosser, tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville and Gård Public House restaurant in Royal City.