

2018
Chardonnay
Royal Slope AVA



Release Date:
Summer 2020

Blend:
100% Chardonnay

pH:
3.40

Alcohol:
13.7%

Winemaker:
Aryn Morell

Cases Produced:
150

MSRP:
\$28/bottle



The Wine

An unfiltered appearance with citrus crème, caramel, honeycomb and brioche. Underlying hints of white flowers with a citrus and pineapple tart. The palate is silky with a perfect combination of citrus and stone fruits, with a background of light toast and citrus crème brûlée.

A blend of three different vineyards fermented and aged in 33% new French oak. We've extended the aging out over the last couple years to promote better texture and mellow out the barrel influence. Made from the three different Chardonnay sites we currently farm. Laura Lee which is the lowest elevation with our highest levels of caliche and produces our most citrus driven and crunchy Chard. Solaksen which is our newest site that provides very reserved aromatics with a polished mouthfeel and a more mineral nuanced finish. The final vineyard is La Reyna Blanca at our highest elevation with the most decadently aromatic and textural fruit we have. This wine has a perfect balance of the three and will be a perfect prelude into the 2019 vintage when we will release our first Grand Klasse version.

The Vineyard

Gård Vintners is 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards, located in the Royal Slope AVA, featuring seven distinct vineyard sites with elevations ranging 930 feet to 1,675 feet. The combination of elevation and south-facing slope provides a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of the seven locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. 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 Walla Walla with tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville.