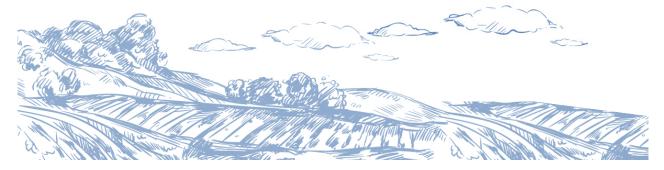
# **SAMSARA**

## 2021 CHARDONNAY - ZOTOVICH VINEYARD

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STA. RITA HILLS AVA SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CA



### WINEMAKER NOTES

Classic mineral driven aromatics with citrus, and green melon. Big texture and mouthfeel. Brighter than normal acidity, this wine shows best on the dinner table with something fatty for the acid to cut through.

#### WINEMAKING

Cases: 228

Appellation: Sta. Rita Hills
Varietal composition: 100% Chardonnay

Clonal selection: 76 + 4

Soil at site: Sand/DE/Limestone Barrels | Aging: 100% neutral French

oak | 15 months

Alcohol: 12.2%

Brix: 21.2-22.2
pH at harvest: 3.11-3.19
Finished pH: 3.25
Finished TA: 8.1 g/L

Harvest date: 9/10/21 + 9/16/21

Bottling date: 3/17/2023

Release date: Fall 2023

#### **2021 VINTAGE**

One of the best vintages in recent memory, 2021 was an even, cool vintage allowing fruit extended hang time to concentrate flavors and complexity without losing acid. Wines from this vintage are powerful while still being moderate in alcohol, and maintaining freshness and fruit purity.

#### **ZOTOVICH VINEYARD**

An optimal growing site for Chardonnay and other varieties, Zotovich Vineyard is comprised of 35 acres in the northern part of the Sta. Rita Hills between Buellton and Lompoc. The vineyard is made up of mostly diatomaceous earth and sandy loam soils that create intense, mineral-driven wines.

## **ACCOLADES**

94 points - Wine Enthusiast This bottling sports a very pithy, citrus-rind-driven nose, with wet rock and tight apple flesh aromas also apparent. The palate is loaded with a rocky minerality, but also packed with citrus spray, Asian pear and mandarin flesh flavors. -Matt Kettmann

94 points - Vinous The 2021 Chardonnay Zotovich Vineyard is a bright and focused from start to finish. Crushed rocks, lime, salt and white pepper are all beautifully delineated in this vibrant, intensely saline Chardonnay. All the elements are so nicely put together. This is another wonderfully translucent wine in the range. -Antonio Galloni