



## WINEMAKER NOTES

Bright florals on the nose along with lemon zest, guava and fresh cut herbs. On the palate, racy acidity with notes of lychee, mandarin orange zest and green pear, while the chalky minerality gives this wine texture. All the complexity of a Rhône white, with the zest and freshness reminiscent of the cool-climate site that is Watch Hill Vineyard.

## WINEMAKING

Cases:	128
Appellation:	Alisos Canyon AVA
Varietal composition:	100% Clairette Blanche
Clonal selection:	Clone 4
Soil at Site:	Sand/Loam/Clay
Barrels   Aging:	100% neutral French oak   5 months
Alcohol:	11.8%
Brix:	19.7
pH at harvest:	3.48
Finished pH:	3.36
Finished TA:	4.6g/L
Harvest date:	10/21/2021
Bottling date:	March 2022
Release date:	Spring 2022

## 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.

## ALISOS CANYON AVA

Alisos Canyon AVA is the newest AVA in Santa Barbara County, receiving the special designation in 2020. The AVA is located approximately 25 miles from the Pacific Ocean just east of Los Alamos and is situated in a transitional region, between the cooler coastal regions and the warmer inland areas. The soils of sandstone, shale, chalky soils & flint rocks combined with the marine influence that rolls in via San Antonio creek, make this an intriguing location for grape growing.

## ACCOLADES

93 points - Wine Enthusiast *Clean and crisp aromas of lemon blossom, light coconut, citrus peel and cantaloupe make for a very fascinating nose on this bottling. A chalky, crushed sea-shell texture clings to the palate, delivering light flavors of lemon candy, tight peach and green melon.* -Matt Kettman

91 points - Wine Advocate *The 2021 Clairette Watch Hill Vineyard is scented of green pear, acacia and baker's yeast with a core of white apricot. Light-bodied and gently rounded, it has a core of floral fruit and a long, refreshing finish. 128 cases produced.* -Erin Brooks