



TA: 0.54 g/100 mL

PH: 3.54

ALCOHOL: 14.0%

BLEND:

100% Chardonnay

## HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

### 2023 Mimi Chardonnay

#### VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2023 growing season was marked by a delayed bud break. Following a cool April, May brought warmer weather, leading to a quick bloom just over a month after bud break.
- Favorable weather conditions persisted throughout the growing season, with warm, dry days and cool nights ideal for grape maturation. Harvest began earlier than usual.
- Lower yields, uniform canopies, and even ripening contributed to exceptional quality.
- Winemakers reported grapes with excellent sugar levels, acidity, nice tannins, and flavor profiles, indicating this vintage is on track to become one of the best in a long time.

#### VINEYARD NOTES

- Sourced from Chardonnay fruit from vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA.
- Our estate vineyards of Canoe Ridge Estate and Horse Heaven Vineyard contributed to the blend.
- An ideal site for Chardonnay, the vineyard at Canoe Ridge Estate lies on a steep South facing slope to the Columbia River.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

- 80% aged sur lie for six months in a combination of new French oak and neutral oak to integrate the fruit and oak flavors.
- 20% stainless steel fermented to maintain the elegant, fresh style of this Chardonnay.
- The juice underwent malolactic fermentation for added softness, balance and depth.

#### RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

- Salmon, crab cakes, poultry

#### TASTING NOTES

Discover Mimi, a delicious Chardonnay sourced from the Horse Heaven Hills, including Chateau Ste. Michelle's Canoe Ridge Estate Vineyard. Mimi is crafted in a lightly oaked, fresh style which allows the bright, elegant fruit to shine through. -Taylor Butterfield, Winemaker