



SAN SIMEON

CHARDONNAY 2025

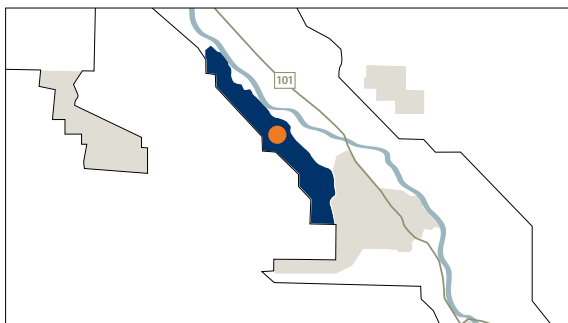
MONTEREY

REGION / VINTAGE NOTES

The 2025 San Simeon Trident Tier Chardonnay is sourced from select hillside vineyards in the Santa Lucia Highlands AVA of Monterey County, a cool-climate region shaped by coastal winds, marine fog, and elevated vineyard sites that extend the growing season and help preserve natural acidity. Planted on well-drained sandy loam soils with east-facing slopes, these vineyards benefit from strong maritime influence that moderates temperatures and supports slow, even ripening.

The 2025 growing season was cool and prolonged, with light rainfall across parts of Monterey County encouraging gradual ripening and enhanced flavor development while preventing excessive sugar accumulation. These conditions allowed the fruit to achieve greater flavor maturity while maintaining freshness, resulting in Chardonnay with vibrant acidity, balanced ripeness, and refined structure.

MONTEREY AVA | SUB-APPELLATIONS



WINEMAKER / TASTING NOTES

Fruit was harvested in late September through early October at optimal ripeness, then sorted and destemmed in the vineyard. Whole berries were gently pressed, using only free-run juice to preserve purity of fruit. Fermentation occurred in small individual lots using minimal-intervention winemaking protocols.

The wine was aged evenly across acacia barrels, concrete tanks, and stainless steel, with each vessel contributing distinct elements of structure and texture. This balanced aging approach highlights the wine's natural fruit character while enhancing mouthfeel and freshness. Approximately 30% of the blend underwent malolactic fermentation, adding subtle creaminess while maintaining lift and clarity.

Aromas of citrus, tropical fruit, and lightly toasted oak led into a layered, medium-textured palate. Notes of ripe stone fruit and citrus are supported by vibrant acidity and a smooth, polished finish.

SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability is our top priority. Our Paso Robles and Monterey vineyards are certified sustainable by CSWA. At our sustainable Paso Robles winery, solar panels provide 100% of the needed electricity, and wastewater is effectively reclaimed and recycled for additional uses.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

REGION
Monterey

APPELLATION
Santa Lucia Highlands

ALTITUDE
Between 500-700 feet

VINEYARDS
Higher Elevation Blocks
in Santa Lucia Highlands

YIELD & DENSITY
3 tons/acres; 1550 vines/acre

BLOCK
3 & 10

CLONE
76

VARIETAL BREAKDOWN
100% Chardonnay

FERMENTATION
1/3 concrete, 1/3 stainless,
1/3 acacia barrels

AGING
5 months in acacia

ALCOHOL
13.9%

PH
3.7

BRIX
23.5