



## 2019 CHARDONNAY HYDE VINEYARD, CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY

### WINERY

Hyde de Villaine was co-founded by the Hyde family of Napa Valley and the de Villaine family of Burgundy. Aubert de Villaine, Co-Director of Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, married Larry Hyde's cousin, Pamela, bringing the two families together. Hyde de Villaine wines represent the shared histories and winemaking philosophies of these families and one iconic single vineyard.

### WINE

Chardonnay is the flagship wine and is comprised of genetically distinct Hyde selections of Old Wente and Calera, which come from the oldest blocks in the vineyard. The blend is generally 60 percent Old Wente and 40 percent Calera Chardonnay selections. Old Wente is identified by its distinctive aromatic profile and its tendency for millerandage, which provides high acidity. The Calera selection, now known as the Hyde clone, delivers minerality and a unique stone fruit character.

### VINEYARDS

The vineyard is certified Napa Green Land and Fish Friendly Farming and Larry Hyde uses a variety of biodynamic and organic practices in the vineyard; the wines are unfiltered and unfiltered.

### VINTAGE NOTES

Napa experienced a dry winter, followed by heavy rains in early spring. The late rains resulted in high vigor, a lower-than-average set, and challenging viticultural conditions. Spring and summer followed with exceptional weather: heavy fog in the mornings, followed by warm sunny days. The optimal conditions created a lengthy growing season, allowing us to pinpoint the perfect dates to pick each individual block.

### WINEMAKING

Aged in 20% New French oak for 15 months. Unfiltered and unfined.

### TASTING NOTES

Refinement and purity are the hallmarks of this vintage. Aromas of yellow apple and mango skin are balanced by crisp minerality and notes of smoked almond. The palate showcases fresh, lime-like acidity and linear mouthfeel while being offset by tones of toasted Ezekiel bread and subtle hints of vanilla bean. While being expressive in its youth, we feel that the qualities of this wine are better realized with age.

— Guillaume Boudet, Winemaker

### VINEYARDS

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| Region:          | California                                    |
| Appellation:     | Napa Valley                                   |
| Sub-Appellation: | Los Carneros                                  |
| Soil:            | Haire Loam Clay                               |
| Age/Exposure:    | 28 to 40 years<br>South by southeast exposure |
| Clones:          | "Old Wente" and Calera selections             |
| Eco-Practices:   | Sustainable, Solar, Vegan                     |
| Certifications:  | Napa Green Land and<br>Fish Friendly Farming  |

### WINEMAKING

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| Varietals:     | 100% Chardonnay                                                             |
| Barrel Aging:  | 15 months in French oak (20% new);<br>3 months in stainless before bottling |
| Harvest Dates: | August 29 – September 18                                                    |
| Bottling Date: | May 3, 2021                                                                 |

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

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| Alcohol:       | 13.8%   |
| Total Acidity: | 6.4 g/L |
| pH:            | 3.3 g/L |