

# ABEJA



## 2019 CHARDONNAY WASHINGTON STATE

### 92 POINTS - VINOUS

Bright straw-yellow. Rather wild scents of peach pit, strawberry, lime peel, hazelnut and musky lees. Rich and dense on entry, then concentrated and saline in the middle palate, with a melting umami quality that reminded me a bit of sake. Holds its shape and energy nicely through a subtly long, savory aftertaste. A very sophisticated, classically dry, youthful Chardonnay with a bright future.

### 91 POINTS – WINE ENTHUSIAST

. . . There's a lovely balance and texture to the reserved but still full-feeling fruit flavors. Toast notes linger on the finish. . .

### 90 POINTS – JEB DUNNUCK

The 2019 Chardonnay is all Chardonnay that was brought up in 40% new French oak (with a small amount in concrete) and 50% of the blend going through malolactic fermentation. It offers lots of orchard fruits and brioche as well as a subtle background oak, medium-bodied richness, and good overall balance. It should drink nicely for 3-5 years, if not longer, given its concentration and balance.

### 90 POINTS – JAMES SUCKLING

A medium-to full-bodied white with aromas of dried pineapple, apple pie, nutmeg and vanilla. Crisp with a richly spiced and toasted finish.