

KITH & KIN

Kith & Kin, Old English for “Friends & Family,” is a Chardonnay sourced from a neighboring property in Rutherford and is created in a fresh and vibrant style. We believe in creating Chardonnay that reflects the beauty of the Napa Valley and showcases our passion for exceptional winemaking.

ACCOLADES

2021 VINTAGE: **89 PTS** JAMES SUCKLING

2020 VINTAGE: **93 PTS** THE TASTING PANEL, **90 PTS & EDITOR'S CHOICE** WINE ENTHUSIAST

WINEMAKING NOTES

The 2021 Kith and Kin Chardonnay was sourced from a neighboring vineyard in Rutherford. Pressed whole cluster, crémant style to preserve natural acidity and deliver fresh, aroma-driven, minerality. This wine is about preserving the freshness of the fruit and maximizing its inherent deliciousness.

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Kith and Kin Chardonnay offers fresh aromas of ripe pear with a floral touch of orange blossom. Stone fruit and Golden apple flavors are balanced with bright notes of lemon zest and a hint of minerality. This medium-bodied Chardonnay has a soft mid-palate with balanced acidity that leads to a nice, long finish.

VINTAGE & VITICULTURE

The 2021 vintage was marked by a second season of drought. The temperatures remained relatively mild, however the dry conditions resulted in smaller, more concentrated grapes with lighter yields and an early harvest window. These lower yields sped up the grapes' sugar accumulation resulting in vibrant, crisp white wines. We were able to source fruit from a neighboring vineyard with blocks over 30 years old and planted in the classic “California sprawl” style which promotes filtered light exposure and vivid aromas. The vineyard's diverse clonal selection includes heritage Wente and Dijon clones 76, 95 and 96 all planted on loose alluvial loam from the Mayacamas drainage.

WINEMAKER: John Wilson

CONSULTING WINEMAKER: Thomas Rivers Brown

VARIETALS: 100% Chardonnay



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