



## ABOUT ALPHA OMEGA

*Alpha Omega is a family-owned winery in Rutherford, the heart of Napa Valley. Handcrafting wines from highly regarded Napa vineyards, Alpha Omega's winemakers combine Old World philosophy of balance and structure with New World state-of-the-art techniques and natural fruit opulence. Masterful blending results in wines that uniquely express the essence of the terroir of this legendary wine region. Surrounded by fountains, vineyards and mountains, the beauty of this modern farm-style winery is as captivating as its wine.*



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## CHARDONNAY

Napa Valley

2020

### VINTAGE NOTES

Excellence defines the start of the 2020 growing season in Napa Valley. A dry winter and mild spring led to early budbreak. During summer, a few heat spells pushed the vines through the bloom period, and again at the completion of veraison, with perfectly moderate growing conditions in between. Warm, sunny weather through August allowed for an early harvest of white grapes. We captured the ideal maturity window for our Chardonnay blocks, resulting in wines with beautiful ripeness, bright, balanced acidity and an abundance of character.

### VINEYARD SOURCES

Vineyards in the cool-climate sub-appellations of Carneros and Mt. Veeder, each with diverse soil, complement one another to form our elegant Chardonnay Napa Valley 2020. Cooling breezes from the San Pablo Bay help preserve the acidity and allow for even ripening patterns at the site in Carneros, where 78% of this wine was born and daytime temperatures rarely exceed 80 degrees, and the property on steep-sloped Mt. Veeder.

### WINEMAKING

Our winemakers barrel fermented the Chardonnay Napa Valley 2020 in 100% French oak, 30% new barrels. Aging, in the same barrel composition, took place during an 18-month period with constant stirring. To let the vibrant and lively cool climate fruit shine and create a wine with freshness, the winemakers selected puncheons for half of the barrels. The elegant French oak and partial malolactic fermentation resulted in a rich and complex Chardonnay.

<b>Sight</b>	Pale lemon
<b>Nose</b>	Aromas of McIntosh apples, peaches and starfruit are accented by notes of toasted coconut, nutmeg and crème brûlée.
<b>Palate</b>	A soft, rich and balanced entry with elegant fruit flavors and hints of baking spice and cream lead to a long, flavorful finish.