

TOLOSA

1772 CHARDONNAY 2020

Edna Valley

VINTAGE NOTES

With a late bud break and a dry, mild summer, the 2020 growing season looked a lot like 2019, and on par as a cooler vintage. Fortunately, flavors developed faster than 2019, which allowed us to start picking in late August and through September to capitalize on the excellent sugar and acid balance in the grapes.

VINEYARD SOURCES

The diverse terroir of the Poletti section of Edna Ranch provided all the grapes for this wine. In 2020, we selected three different blocks planted to three different clones, among them the Tequsquet clone, one of the oldest and most famous of the Central Coast which helps provide exceptional depth to this wine.

WINEMAKING

Grapes for this wine were whole cluster pressed which reduces extraction of phenolic (bitter) compounds and then fermented in French Oak at cooler temperatures. Aged nine months on its lees in 15% new French Oak, the combination of a cooler fermentation, lees contact and French Oak aging provides structure, richness and freshness.

- Visual Pale goldish straw
- Nose Aromas of yellow apple, apricot and cantaloupe mixed with notes of hazelnut, vanilla, white flowers and honey.
- Palate Medium bodied with mineral notes, bright, crunchy stone fruits and hints of vanilla custard framed by brisk acidity.



ABOUT TOLOSA

Cowboy dreams of owning a cattle ranch brought Vintner Robin Baggett to Edna Valley. The cold Pacific wind that sweeps down the coast into the transverse valley and a myriad of soils derived from an ancient seabed made him realize he was on a frontier of a different sort. Tolosa is the expression of his commitment to spare no effort to craft nuanced and balanced Pinot Noir and Chardonnay of distinctive character to rival any in the world.