

# 2021 Te Kano Chardonnay

The Life Series captures the essence of Te Kano's Estate vineyards, using parcels of fruit from across our subregions to give a snapshot of the season and our unique expression of Central Otago.

A complex and elegant Chardonnay with aromas of yellow peach, pineapple, coconut and toasted oats. Citrus and white peach follow through the palate with spicy oak nuances building into a complex array of brioche and biscuit undertones. A hint of citrus peel keeps the palate tight and fresh.

This complex, textural wine shows lovely poise and walks a fine line between richness and minerality.

## Vintage

The 2021 season started with warm and wet weather, leading to rapid early season growth and excellent vine health. Windy weather over flowering and a warm late Summer period resulted in lower yields of perfectly ripe fruit, with excellent flavour concentration.

# Vineyards

A combination of our Central Otago subregions. Northburn shows fine boned acidity, pure fresh fruit flavours and a crystalline minerality derived from Schist based soils, while Bannockburn gives rich ripe tropical notes and mid palate weight.

#### Varietal

100% Chardonnay, Mendoza clone.

## Winemaking

Vineyard parcels were individually hand harvested and whole bunch pressed to tank for light settling. Barrel fermentation and extended lees stirring over 9 months helped to build mid palate texture and complexity, prior to blending of selected barrels in Spring.

| Cellaring | Drink now to 5+ years |
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| Serving   | Serve at 8-10°C       |

#### Technical Data

| рН             | 3.45    |
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| тА             |         |
| Residual Sugar | 0       |
| Brix           |         |
| Alcohol        | 14% v/v |