

2021 CENTRAL COAST CHARDONNAY

In 1975, legendary vintner and pioneer Josh Jensen founded Calera (Spanish for "lime kiln") high in the Gavilan Mountains of California's majestic Central Coast. In the four decades since, Calera has helped establish the Central Coast as one of the New World's most exciting wine regions, while earning acclaim as one of California's iconic wineries. Sourced from some of the appellation's finest vineyards, the Calera Central Coast Chardonnay has become a benchmark for the region, balancing lush richness with beautiful minerality and bright citrus flavors.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 growing season began with below-average winter rainfall followed by moderate spring temperatures, with budbreak occurring at varied times throughout the Central Coast. The temperate weather continued into early summer, which ensured abundant hangtime and one of the latest Central Coast harvests on record. The resulting wines show pin-point balance with lovely aromas, excellent energy and acidity, and pure sophisticated flavors.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Both lively and alluring, this impeccably balanced Chardonnay shows its cool-climate coastal roots with tantalizing aromas of zesty green apple, summer grass and mango. On the palate, energetic acidity adds poise and polish to the vibrant citrus flavors of orange and lemon that linger throughout a long, bright finish.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION Central Coast

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Chardonnay

OAK & AGING Aged for 10 months in 100% French oak

10% new, 90% neutral

MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION 100% malolactic complete

ALCOHOL 14.5%

PH 3.39

ACIDITY 0.60 g/100 ml

