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Bien Nacido Vineyard

2021 · CHARDONNAY

SANTA MARIA VALLEY

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WINEMAKER	JOEY TENSELY
YIELD	2.5 TONS PER ACRE
CASES	877
ALCOHOL	15.0%
PH	3.34
TA	6.7 g/L

VINEYARD & TERROIR

FROM THE RENOWNED BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD CRAFTED FROM BLOCK I - CLONE 4 & BLOCK II - CLONE 76 AND MT EDAN. FLAT TO A SLIGHTLY UNDULATING BLOCKS ON THE LOWER BENCH. ALLUVIAL SOIL. CONSISTENT COASTAL WINDS. NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST ROW DIRECTION. WINES FROM THIS SECTION TEND TO CARRY A TROPICAL NOTE WITH GOOD ACIDITY.

COMPOSITION

100% CHARDONNAY

AGING

AGED 10 MONTHS IN 30% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS

AROMATICS

THERE ARE AROMAS OF BANANA CUSTARD, FENNEL BULBS, CHAMOMILE FLOWERS AND BUTTERED TOAST THAT LIFT FROM THE GLASS. OAK AGING HAS PROVIDED RICH CRÈME BRÛLÉE, BROWN SPICE, AND TOASTY NOTES.

PALATE

THE PALATE OPENS WITH RICH TEXTURED NOTES OF STONE FRUIT, GOLDEN APPLE PIE-A-LA MODE, PAPAYA, AND SWEETENED CREAM. ELEGANT AND BALANCED WITH BALANCED WITH MARCONA ALMONDS, LAVASH BREAD, AND A HINT OF SALINITY WITH A LONG BRIGHT FINISH.