



2018 | DOUBLE PLOT CHARDONNAY

CONNER LEE VINEYARD
COLUMBIA VALLEY A.V.A.

This Classical-styled Conner Lee Vineyard Chardonnay leads with intense spring flowers, Meyer lemon, Asian pear and crème brûlée aromas. Fragrant fruits show off in abundance with rich persistent flavors surrounding vibrant fresh acidity. Only very few barrels are selected from our best vines and barrels of the vintage to create this luxurious barrel fermented style Chardonnay. Best served above fridge temperature at 50°F, it pairs with many savory fish and vegetable dishes.

VINTAGE

Our long history and management of this vineyard since 1988 affords us a predictable harvest. 2018 was again among the early vintages. Spring flowering was good after which we thinned at version. Our vine care is adapted to the hot sunny days of Eastern Washington, growing whites that are full of flavor and acidity. Chardonnay was full flavored at low of 22.5 in the warm late summer weather. Picking was at 4:00–6:00 a.m. for cold whole cluster harvest.

WINEMAKING

We selected the best of two blocks this harvests to whole cluster press. At dawn of early harvest, we harvest and press cold the fresh hand-picked fruit. Using champagne pressing styles to create luxurious texture, we slowly press the juices and protect them from oxidation. We continue to improve our plantings at Conner Lee Vineyard selecting the 1989 old block and the newer clone #76 Chardonnays. Fermented and aged in Marcel Cadet Burgundy barrels from Dargaud Jaegle on lees for ten months, we blended and filtered just prior to bottling. Bottled young for freshness, this wine will age for five years or more.

APPELLATIONS & VINEYARDS

Columbia Valley 100% | 100% Conner Lee

FINAL BLEND

100% Chardonnay:
Clones #75, #76 & #96

AGING

Aged 10 months
in barrel

CASES PRODUCED 1,551 6-pack cases/750mL

TECHNICAL DATA Bottled: Summer 2019 • Alcohol: 13.8% by volume • pH: 3.55 • TA: 6.5g/L • RS: 0.5g/L dry

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