

Arnold Palmer Chardonnay 2012

COUNTRY
United States

REGION
Napa Valley

PRODUCER
Luna Vineyards



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GRAPE VARIETY
Chardonnay

TASTING NOTE

A fresh and zesty Chardonnay with a rich minerality and some Albariño in the blend which adds vibrant acidity. Intense and zesty on the nose with rich mineral, green apple and fresh white peach aromas. On the palate, toasty oak and marshmallow are followed by a lively mix of ripe pear, apple, citrus and honeydew flavours. The finish is lush and refreshing.

PRODUCER INFORMATION

Shawna Miller, head winemaker, graduated from Virginia Tech with a forestry degree, and worked for several management agencies and university research facilities across the U.S, but oenology courses greatly intrigued her. Achieving another level of education, she received a UC Extension Winemaking Certificate from Davis, California. She exchanged ideas with some of the world's most renowned brands came a woman who isn't afraid of some dirt under her nails or the long, harvest days in the cellar. The team of wine makers maintain their passion and respect for the land, billing the soil as little as possible and restricting the use of chemicals and fertilizers. She uses the techniques of hand-picking and sorting, and this is complimented by the proven practice of native yeast fermentation and extended maceration. It is these tried and tested methods which combine to yield exceptional results. These vineyards lie on The Silverado Trail at the beginning of the Napa Valley, some of the best vineyard land in the area.

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