

Oak Ridge Winery, 'Maggio', California, Chardonnay 2018



A fresh Californian Chardonnay displaying subtle vanilla notes combined with tropical fruits and melon and citrus flavours.

Producer Note

For five generations the Maggio family has been growing wine grapes in Lodi, and providing elite California winemakers with superb fruit to make their wines. In 2002, the family turned their own hand to winemaking, using the same estate grown fruit that they had sold for so many years. Now they proudly put their name on bottles that reflect their long and uncompromising commitments to sustainable agriculture and winemaking excellence.

Vintage

2017 was an extremely warm vintage in California. Fortunately good levels of rain at the beginning of the growing season built soil water reserves to help nourish the vines throughout the hot summer months. The warm weather continued into harvest with a hot September resulting in ripe concentrated flavours.

Vineyard

The estate covers 500 acres of vineyards throughout the Lodi American Viticultural Area, which are situated between the Sierra Nevada foothills and the San Francisco Bay. The Chardonnay grapes are grown in the Delta region, west of Lodi, which has a slightly cooler climate than central Lodi, both day and night. This gentle Mediterranean climate of warm days and coastal evening breezes is ideal for the cultivation of world-class grapes. The mature vines are gnarled and sculpted by time, yielding small amounts of intensely flavoured fruit to create wines that are the ultimate expression of their terroir.

Winemaking

The Chardonnay grapes were harvested at 23 to 24° Brix, when they had reached optimal ripeness and balancing acidity levels. The grapes were cool fermented in stainless steel tanks at 10 to 12°C with selected yeasts, to preserve the fresh and bright fruit characteristics. The wine did not go through malolactic fermentation, to retain the crisp character. Delicate oak influence imparted subtle complexity and a creamier texture.

Tasting Note

This vibrant Chardonnay delivers fruity aromas of peach, mango, pineapple and melon. Beautifully balanced on the palate, with refreshing citrus flavours through to a long finish.

Grape

Chardonnay 100%



Winemaker:	Noel Basso
Region:	California
Sub region:	California
Country:	USA
Alcohol:	13.5%
Dry/Sweet value:	3 (1 is dry, 7 is very sweet)
Residual Sugar:	0.5
Contains Sulphites:	Yes
Vegetarian/Vegan:	Yes/Yes
Milk/Eggs:	No/No
Organic/Biodynamic	No/No
Product Code:	55260181
Case unit of measure:	12X75CL
Formats Available:	75cl
Closure:	Screwcap