## vīvō

# Chardonnay



ALCOHOL PRODUCTION

13.8% ABV 98 cases

#### VINEYARD

Grapes for vīvō are sourced from one of the best and most respected Chardonnay growers in the Carneros region in Napa Valley. The heirloom Burgundian selection was developed over 22 years ago, planted on a gentle hillside on shallow clay soil and an alluvial riverbed. Carneros is the southernmost sub-appellation of the Napa Valley, located just above the northern tip of the San Francisco Bay. It is influenced by fog and southerly breezes from the bay and the Petaluma Gap, which keep it cooler than the rest of the valley and allow for a long, moderate growing season that is ideal for Chardonnay.

#### AGING

18 months in neutral French oak

#### **TASTING NOTES**

Nose: dominated by intense aromatic and floral driven notes

**Palate:** lovely interweaving of stone fruit, expressive minerality confirming its Hyde vineyard pedigree. Broad shouldered yet fine, showing great acidity and richness, dense, expensive, and soft on the palate

**Finish:** intense and refreshing opulence with a mixed of spice, clove, and delicate citrus blossoms

Cellar: this wine will age gracefully for the decade to come

## **ABOUT THE WINEMAKER**

Stéphane Vivier joined our team in 2015. A native of Burgundy, Stéphane believes in making wines that articulate the definition of Carneros, Napa Valley with a sense of place. He obtained degrees in viticulture and enology from Université de Bourgogne, and cultivated his vineyard and cellar skills at Pommard, Meursault, and Chassagne-Montrachet.

### ACCOLADES

Robert Parker 95+pts

Wine Enthusiast 94pts