

# Kiona

## 2023 COLUMBIA VALLEY OLD VINE CHARDONNAY

Although designated Columbia Valley on the label, our 2023 Old Vine Chardonnay features 100% estate-grown Red Mountain fruit from the oldest planting in the AVA dating back to 1975. These fan-trained Chardonnay vines shepherded our fledgling vineyard into relevancy through the 1980s and beyond, producing Red Mountain's first-ever 90+ point wine (Wine Spectator, October 1989).

Chardonnay thrives in Washington, where the wines are nuanced and layered with a high drinkability. Our 2023 old vine release includes fat, barrel-fermented components layered together with crisp, fruit-forward stainless lots - landing somewhere between cool-climate, austere Chardonnay and warm-climate, ripe/round Chardonnay. It's a crowd-pleasing wine that's equally at home with a food pairing or by itself.

Chardonnay is a rarity on Red Mountain, where plantings skew heavily towards red wine cultivars. Because the Red Mountain AVA is completely contained within and considered part of the greater Columbia Valley, we declassify this particular wine to improve visibility outside of the Pacific Northwest.

**GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION** // 100% Red Mountain AVA, 100% Estate Grown & Bottled

**COMPOSITION** // 100% Kiona Estate vineyard Chardonnay, planted in 1975

**WINEMAKING** // Old Vine Chardonnay machine picked 9/23. Inoculated with *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* Alchemy I. 60% of total material tank fermented, no ML. 14% new french. All barrels aged on gross lees - no racking - after 1 month of daily battonnage.

**BOTTLING** // Branded microagglomerated technical cork. Poly laminate capsule. Label design by Transom, printing by Columbia Label. 907 12x750 mL cases, finished product case weight 34.5 lbs.

**SUSTAINABLE WA CERTIFIED** // Yes

**pH** // 3.7    **TA** // 5.7 g/L    **VA** // 0.32 g/L    **GLU+FRU** // 0.24 g/L    **VEGAN** // Yes

