

# Seghesio

This elegantly crafted Chardonnay combines crisp pear, lemon curd, and vanilla notes, delivering a lively and refreshing wine with a unique twist of Vermentino.

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Alcohol :14,00 % Composition: 96% Chardonnay, 4% Vermentino

# Sonoma Chardonnay 2022

California, USA

# **Region and Vineyards**

Sonoma Chardonnay 2021 is sourced from some of California's **most prestigious Chardonnay-growing regions**, including vineyards in **Sonoma County** and **Monterey County**. These carefully selected sites feature diverse climates and soil types, contributing to the wine's vibrant fruit profile and balanced acidity.

The 2021 growing season in Sonoma saw **limited water availability** due to irrigation restrictions, resulting in reduced yields but intensely flavored grapes. Cool evenings and moderate daytime temperatures allowed the fruit to ripen slowly, preserving natural acidity and aromatic complexity.

### Winemaking

The Chardonnay grapes were **hand-harvested** and underwent **whole-cluster pressing** during a gentle, extended press cycle to extract clean, vibrant flavors while minimizing astringency. Fermentation was conducted in a mix of **stainless steel tanks and barrels**, highlighting the best attributes of each vineyard source—acidity, fruit intensity, and texture.

A small portion of the blend was allowed to undergo **malolactic fermentation**, adding mid-palate complexity and softening acidity. The inclusion of **5% estate-grown Vermentino** adds a unique freshness and complexity to the final wine, creating a lively and balanced profile.

### Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Bright straw yellow.
- **Aroma**: Inviting floral notes of white lilies and orange blossom, layered with lemon peel.
- **Palate**: Lively and fresh, with flavors of lemon curd, crisp pear, pineapple, and hints of vanilla bean. Balanced acidity leads to a long, clean finish.





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### Did you know?

Sonoma Chardonnay 2021 includes a small portion of **estate-grown Vermentino**, which is rare for a Chardonnay blend. This addition adds a distinctive brightness and a uniquely Seghesio character to the wine.

# Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Roast chicken with lemon and thyme**: The wine's bright acidity and citrus notes complement the savory richness of roast chicken.
- **Creamy fettuccine Alfredo**: The wine's vibrant freshness balances the richness of a creamy pasta dish.
- **Grilled salmon with dill butter**: The wine's citrus and floral notes enhance the delicate flavors of grilled salmon.
- **Aged Gouda**: The nutty, caramelized profile of aged Gouda pairs beautifully with the wine's fruit and vanilla notes.

#### James Suckling (JS): 90 Points (2020)

Sliced pears, apricots, white pears and wet stones on the nose. Medium-bodied with a smooth, stony and clean palate. Straightforward, fresh chardonnay. 60% Sonoma County and 40% Napa County.





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