

MARCHELLE



2021 Lorenzo Vineyard Chardonnay

Lorenzo Vineyard, located in the Santa Rosa plains of the Russian River Valley was established in 1974 and is one of the oldest chardonnay plantings in the Russian River Valley. It is meticulously farmed by the Bazzano family and renowned for its track record of world-class quality.

2021 Harvest

2021 was a drought year, with Lorenzo receiving about a quarter of its regular rainfall. Flowering was early and cool weather during created shatter in the clusters, contributing a more open cluster architecture but also about half the crop that we expected. We waded through a brief heat spell in early September that further reduced crop but concentrated acid and flavors, picking on September 28th. Fruit came in with just touches of Botrytis, yielding more mineral-driven juice at pressing with lower yields due to the high skin-to-juice ratio.

Tasting Notes

Notes of honeysuckle and concession-stand confectionary aromas from the county fair along with touches of vanilla and lime custard. Palate of excellent acid backbone (that Lorenzo always has) along with pear and softer yellow fruits with late minerality. Very long, mouth-watering finish following tons of complexity throughout.

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Alcohol by Volume: 13.6%

pH: 3.39 | **TA** 6.8g/L

Vineyard: Lorenzo Vineyard

Residual Sugar: Dry (<.01%)

Size: 750ml

Production: 49 cases

Winemaker: Greg La Follette