



PETER MICHA
WINERY

'POINT ROUGE'

CHARDONNAY
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'Point Rouge' Estate Chardonnay

KNIGHTS VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY

SITE

ESTATE: Knights Valley

2019 VINEYARDS: Belle Côte, Ma Belle-Fille

PLANTED: 1990

SOIL: Volcanic-origin rhyolite

VARIETY: 100% Chardonnay

EXPOSURE: South-southeast

ELEVATION: 1,700 to 1,750 feet (520 to 530 meters)

WINEGROWING NOTES

The name *Point Rouge* ("red dot") references the red sticker our winemaker places on the top Chardonnay barrels from the vintage. These barrels are singled out for their exceptional quality and potential for long-term aging in the bottle. For the 2019 vintage, eleven barrels from Belle Côte and Ma Belle-Fille vineyards were selected and blended in December 2020, creating the final cuvée.

WINEMAKING NOTES

HAND-HARVESTED: October 1 to October 9

VINIFICATION: 100% naturally fermented using native yeast

100% barrel-fermented in 100% French oak from select artisan coopers

AGING: Barrel-aged sur lies for twelve months with weekly bâtonnage

BOTTLED UNFILTERED: February 1, 2021

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

RELEASE DATE: September 1, 2021

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

Light gold in color, the 2019 'Point Rouge' exhibits a fabulous intensity and ripeness with expansive flavors, and a perfume of extraordinary spring florals and honeysuckle notes intermingled with orange marmalade, lemon oil, tangerine, and a touch of tropical passion fruit. Subtle toasty oak with hazelnut and jasmine flesh out this rich, concentrated Chardonnay with seamless texture sans couture. Full-bodied, silky, delineated, oily, and layered, 'Point Rouge' delivers waves of white fruits, stones, and spices along with a liquid minerality—a prominent characteristic of grand cru status. 2019 is a refined vintage, worthy of aging.

