

PEJU

In 1983, Tony and Herta (HB) Peju purchased thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of Napa Valley. They worked hard to build a winery, plant estate vineyards and raise their family. PEJU remains family-owned with Tony and HB's two daughters Ariana and Lisa guiding the business today. Ariana and Lisa are bringing fresh ideas while maintaining the meticulous focus on quality that began over 35 years ago. With its landmark tower and warm hospitality, PEJU Winery is an integral part of the Napa Valley landscape.



CHARDONNAY NAPA VALLEY 2020

VINEYARDS

The PEJU family owns and sustainably farms six estate vineyards in Napa Valley ranging from Carneros, Napa's coolest growing region, all the way north to Calistoga. Rare in today's wine industry, the family's careful oversight of its estate vineyards assures quality from grape to glass. PEJU's 30-acre Rutherford Estate was certified organic in 2007 by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and in 2019 all six of their vineyard properties were certified under the Fish Friendly Farming program.

VINTAGE

Napa Valley experienced low rainfall in early 2020, setting the scene up for a low-yielding season. Not only did this translate to concentrated, high-quality fruit, but it led us to harvest our white wines early, escaping the devastation of the Glass Valley fire. We find that Chardonnays of this vintage display fresh aromas, supple texture and complex, lush flavors.

TASTING

A luscious Chardonnay, this wine presents a mouthwatering bouquet of panna cotta, lemon curd, and lime zest. Combined nuances of honey crisp apple, butterscotch, and minerality create a round and elegant palate. The silky-smooth mouthfeel is met with a crispness that leaves you wanting more.

DETAILS

Appellation: *Napa Valley*
Composition: *100% Chardonnay*
Oak: *French, 40% new*
Aging: *8 months*
Fermentation: *100% barrel fermented,
100% malolactic*

Harvest: *October 2020*
Bottling: *January 2021*
Release: *March 2022*
Production: *1,283 cases*
Winemaker: *Sara Fowler*
Alcohol: *14.1%*

