

BLASTED CHURCH™

BLASTED CHURCH CHARDONNAY MUSQUÉ 2010

Appellation: Okanagan Valley (VQA)

HARVEST NOTES

Our Chardonnay Musqué grown in our lower block consistently displays fantastic varietal character when being harvested. The Musqué block is inter-planted with our Chardonnay. Therefore, we rely on our Vineyard Manager and pickers to harvest as much Chardonnay Musqué as possible, without harvesting Chardonnay at the same time. The 2010 vintage continued the pattern of picking the Musqué at higher brix. The 2010 Chard Musqué was picked at 24 brix. The development of the berries was slow and constant, which resulted in nice balanced ripening of the fruit.

WINEMAKING

The Oxford Companion to Wine defines the French term Musqué as meaning both perfumed and Muscat like. The Chardonnay Musqué clone is known for being extremely aromatic, and our unoaked style truly captures all that this unique variety has to offer.

The Chardonnay Musqué was handpicked on October 17th. The fruit was then whole bunch and whole berry sorted before being transferred into the press for gentle juice extraction. The pressed juice is then left to cold settle for two days before being racked, warmed and inoculated with a yeast strain that is Chardonnay friendly. The fermentation lasted 21 days at an average temperature of 14C degrees. The long cool fermentation allows for true varietal expression of this Chardonnay clone.

WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Colour: Mid straw with pale lime hues.

Bouquet: Floral, mineral notes with loads of citrus, green apple and pineapple.

Palate: Fresh and crisp with lime, mineral and muscat like notes with a racy finish.

Food Pairings: Paella, avocado rolls, scallop ceviche, cubano sandwich

Varietal Profile

Chardonnay/ BCV

Brix at Harvest

24.0 Bx

Total acidity:	8.0g/L
Final pH:	3.37
Residual Sugar:	5g/L
Alcohol:	14.5%
Cases Produced:	285
CSPC:	+734756

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