

# RAM'S GATE

WINERY · SONOMA



## 2021 CHARDONNAY, HYDE VINEYARD

### APPELLATION

Carneros

### VINIFICATION

11 months in barrel  
33% new French oak

### CLONES

61% Musqué Selection  
39% Robert Young Selection

### ALCOHOL

13.7%

### COOPERAGE

Taransaud, Sirugue

A truly exceptional vintage and the smallest we've ever produced. In a year marked by one of the driest on record, the vineyard yielded less than 1 ton per acre, nearly 85% less than the historical norm. Nevertheless, the wine is remarkably concentrated, focused, and brimming with personality.

This bottling is defined by the Musqué selection of Chardonnay, an elegant clone known for its floral characteristics. In 2021, it showcases rich stone fruit flavors, predominantly apricots. For 61% of the wine, we chose to forego malolactic fermentation to preserve its freshness and delicate charm.

The Robert Young clone, sourced from a slightly younger section of the vineyard, adds depth with notes of honey and summer herbs with a robust foundation that complements the Musqué selection.

Crafted from just 5 barrels, the 2021 vintage is undeniably pure, bursting with vitality, and culminates in an elegant finish that evokes the quintessential Carneros sea breeze. Enjoy now or cellar for the next 8-10 years.

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