

DONUM

GIFT OF THE LAND

2023 SINGLE-VINEYARD CARNEROS CHARDONNAY TFV

INTRODUCTION

Originally planted in 1974 by Thomas Ferguson, this ranch officially became part of the Donum portfolio in 2016, though we had sourced fruit from this site for our Carneros Estate Pinot Noir during the 2000s. Following a complete vineyard redevelopment, we produced our first Chardonnay from this property in 2021, marking the debut of this new wine. Just a mile away from our Estate, Thomas Ferguson Vineyard (TFV) stands out for its rocky terrain, scattered with large cobblestones, and its lighter-colored, silica-rich soils. These conditions make it one of the most unique sites in Carneros for both Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. In this Chardonnay, we find a mineral, flinty character that is unique to this site.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Pale golden in color, the 2023 TFV Chardonnay opens with a flinty character that defines this vineyard, followed by aromas of lemon, Honeycrisp apple and a hint of honey. The palate is mineral-driven, with saline notes layered with kiwi, kumquat and apple. Bright, focused and persistent, this wine finishes with vibrancy and length. Drink from 2025-2035.

FRUIT

52% Wente, 38% Mt. Eden, 10% Cote d'Or

HARVEST DATE

September 16 — September 26, 2023

ESTATE BOTTLED

January 24, 2025

CASES PRODUCED

340 cases

AGING

16 months in 67% new French oak



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