

# LEVANT

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## 2021 LEVANT CHARDONNAY



Vintage	2021
Varietal blend	100% Chardonnay
Clones	53% I10V5; 29% Bernard 95; 15% Bernard 96; and 3% I10V1.
Harvest date(s)	24-25 February and 5 March 2021
Bottling date	30 August 2021
Oak treatment	100% fermented in large-format French oak casks (13% new)
pH/TA	3.45 pH    6.7g/L TA
Preservative(s)	220
Alcohol content	12.5%
Winemaking	Grapes were whole-bunch pressed. Juice settled overnight, then coarsely racked to foudre and smaller format for barrel fermentation. The resultant wines were aged on settled lees with minimal stirring. 100% malolactic fermentation was undertaken on a number of barrels for enhanced richness and complexity.
Winemaker's notes	Aromas of orange blossom, frangipani flower, Meyer lemon, grapefruit pith, custard apple and lemon verbena with a subtle savoury undercurrent of lovage, flint and some struck match complexity. The palate is deep, long and flavourful with lemon posset and petrichor undertones washing over a refreshing base of integrated acidity. Aging potential: 5+ years. This wine is suitable for vegans.