

2020

Piano Piano Chardonnay

Yamhill-Carlton AVA
Willamette Valley, Oregon

Vintage:

After a relatively mild winter, 2020 greeted us with unseasonably warm spring temperatures early on, followed by rain and cooler temperatures in May and June. Subsequently, both estate vineyards were hit with heavy rainstorms while the vines were flowering, causing uneven fruit set and overall low yields. July and August were slightly warmer and drier than average, so disease pressure was fortunately very low this vintage. Altogether, bud break occurred just slightly earlier than average and the rest of the growing season kept up at the same pace; until we finally brought in our first fruit on September 7th for our Rosé of Pinot Noir.

~ Winemaker Dom Mahé



Tasting Notes:

The Piano Piano Chardonnay: Trovato Chardonnay's counterpart! Born of the same lot of wine, we separate out four barrels and allow the wine to remain in barrel almost twice as long. 18 months in barrel gives this wine more secondary notes in comparison to the more fruit-driven Trovato Chardonnay. Blanched almond, coconut, and dried grass accompany assorted citrus and green apple. The palate is full bodied with flavors of vanilla, lemon, and creme brulee, while retaining elegant texture and a balanced tangy finish.

Winemaking:

Case Production: **100 cases**

Fermentation: wild fermentation, whole-cluster pressed

Barrel regimen: 18 months neutral French oak, 16 months on lees

ABV: 12.7%

Ccellaring:

Two to seven years post vintage. 2023 - 2027

Suggested Retail:
\$72