



MARKHAM  
NAPA VALLEY  
VINEYARDS



# CHARDONNAY 2022

## NAPA VALLEY AVA

WINEMAKER KIMBERLEE NICHOLLS

Estate Vineyards provide the backbone to this expressive Napa Valley Chardonnay. Notes of bright citrus-lemon and green apple are complemented by toasty vanilla and a kiss of minerality from the soil. Barrel fermentation enhances the citrus fruit flavors and balances acidity, while partial malolactic adds body and creamy crème brûlée character to the mid-palate.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION**

100% Chardonnay

**ALCOHOL**

14.2%

**ACID**

6.2 g/L

**pH**

3.41

**ESTATE GROWN FRUIT**

66%

**ESTATE SOURCING**

Little Cannon Vineyard

**FERMENTATION**

Direct-to-Press

100% Barrel Fermented

25% Malolactic Fermentation

**AGING**

8 ½ months in 100% French Oak Barrels

32% New Oak

**PRODUCTION**

6,888 12pk Cases

**BOTTLED**

June 2023

**RELEASED**

September 2023

RECENT PRESS 2018: **90pts**  
*James Suckling*

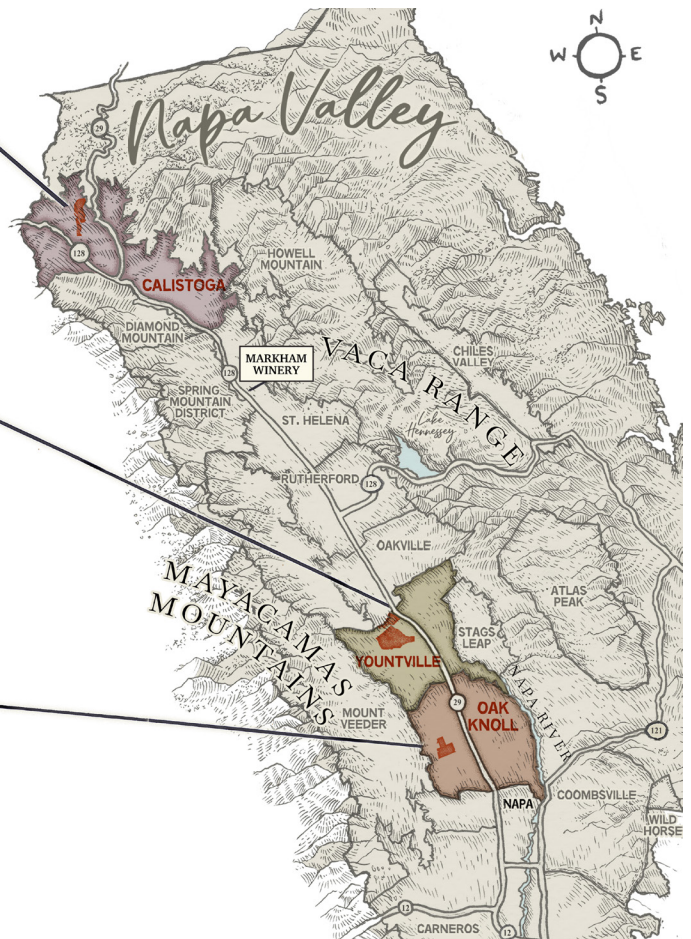
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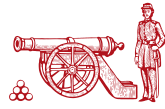
### VINEYARD & HARVEST

- Oak Knoll and Carneros AVAs: Marine influences from the San Pablo Bay lend to the lively acidity in the fruit and refreshing citrus character of this wine.
- 2022 Vintage: The cool summer in Napa Valley preserved natural acidity and brought out layered complexity in the grapes, while the Fall heat helped the grapes to ripen fully.
- Night Harvest: Grapes were picked at night and delivered early to the winery to maintain integrity in the fruit and fresh fruit flavors.
- Limited malolactic added creaminess and a nice weight to the mid-body.



<p><b>CALISTOGA AVA</b></p> <p>ROCKERBOX VINEYARD ELEVATION 512' ACRES 72 CLIMATE Daytime summer temps may peak above 100°F and fall to low 40s at night. Breezy, tempering wind and fog flow through the Chalk Hill gap. VARIETALS Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot</p>
<p><b>YOUNTVILLE AVA</b></p> <p>YOUNTVILLE RANCH &amp; HOPPER HOUSE VINEYARD ELEVATION 195' ACRES 103 CLIMATE Moderate with fog and marine influences; breezes keep afternoons cooler. Summer temps reach low 90s and drop to mid-50s at night. VARIETALS Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec</p>
<p><b>OAK KNOLL AVA</b></p> <p>LITTLE CANNON VINEYARD ELEVATION 130' ACRES 75 CLIMATE Moderate to cool with marine air &amp; fog that lingers into late mornings; afternoon breezes. Summer temps reach low 90s and drop to mid-50s at night. VARIETALS: Sauvignon Blanc, Merlot, Chardonnay</p>





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## WOMEN-LED WINEMAKING & VITICULTURE TEAM

We're honored to have Winemaker Kimberlee Nicholls at the helm of the Markham winemaking team. When Kim began her career nearly three decades ago, she was one of the first female winemakers in the Napa Valley. Today, women winemakers in Napa Valley still only represent 12% of the total, and Kim remains among the very few who specialize in Merlot.

Markham's 260 acres of sustainably-farmed estate vineyards and land across Napa Valley allow Kim and the winemaking & viticulture team to showcase the diverse characteristics within this world-class growing region across our entire portfolio.

## MARK OF CHARACTER

**#1 Producer of Napa Valley Merlot** — For more than 40 years, Markham has been dedicated to Bordeaux varietals with an unwavering commitment to Merlot.

**Sustainably Made** — Our winery and estate vineyards are certified by the *California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance* since July 2022.

**Partnering with Purpose** — We practice altruism by giving back to non-profit organizations committed to women's equity in the wine, culinary, and hospitality industries.



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ABOUT OUR MARK  
OF CHARACTER



### SAUVIGNON BLANC

NAPA VALLEY

90 POINTS  
*James Suckling*  
2022 Vintage



### CHARDONNAY

NAPA VALLEY

90 POINTS  
*James Suckling*  
2018 Vintage



### MERLOT

NAPA VALLEY

92 POINTS  
*James Suckling*  
2019 Vintage



### "SIX STACK" MERLOT

NORTH COAST, CA

NEW RELEASE  
*No UPC*  
2021 Vintage



### THE ALTRUIST RED BLEND

NAPA VALLEY

92 POINTS  
*James Suckling*  
2018 Vintage



### CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY

91 POINTS  
*James Suckling*  
2019 Vintage