

Helix 2018 Chardonnay

Stillwater Creek Vineyard, Columbia Valley



DESCRIPTION

It's not about the oak, it's about Chardonnay. Stillwater Creek's cooler climate allows for prolonged hang time while preserving incredible acidity and complexity. The grapes are whole cluster pressed, fermented and aged on the lees in stainless steel.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Blend: 100% Chardonnay

Cooperage: Stainless Steel

Production: 217 cases

Release Date: Summer 2019

Vineyard: Stillwater Creek

Alc.: 14.1%

Bottling Date: March 2019

Drink Between: 2019-2024

THE VINEYARDS

STILLWATER CREEK Stillwater Creek Vineyard is a 235-acre site on the Royal Slope of the Frenchman Hills. Planted in 2000 on a steep, south-facing slope with one of the most diverse clone selections in Washington State, Stillwater Creek quickly has earned a reputation as one of the Columbia Valley's top vineyards. The Stillwater Creek Chardonnay is used to produce the Helix stainless aged whole-clustered press Chardonnay to maintain the grape's naturally high acidity and accentuate its minerality.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Our 2018 Helix Chardonnay is the perfect white for those warm, summer gatherings on the beach and family clambakes. Try this vintage with moules frites or raw oysters on the half shell, or pair it with goat or soft cheeses on the patio.

HELIX WINES – MORE TO EXPLORE

Helix Wines are the culmination of a long, storied family history in the Washington and Oregon wine and agriculture industries and a reflection of our family's belief that farming and winemaking is all about discovery. Helix wines are produced by the same family who create REININGER at our Walla Walla Valley winery. Named for a farmstead in Helix, Oregon, where our grandparents met, married, and farmed, Helix is truly a reflection of our family's pioneering background and strong sense of place. Since the first Helix vintage in 2002, our goal is to explore the diverse and unbounded Columbia Valley and to see for ourselves what the Columbia Valley vineyards are capable of producing.