

## 2021 Domaine Drouhin Oregon Edition Limitée Chardonnay

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2021

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Domaine Drouhin

Drouhin Family Estate

CHARDONNAY

DUNDEE HILLS . OREGON

146 cases produced

## About the Edition Limitée Chardonnay

The oldest Chardonnay blocks on our Dundee Hills estate are now over 25 years old, and we have always believed that Oregon Chardonnay takes an equal place alongside Pinot Noir, just as it does in Burgundy. At harvest, all of our Chardonnay is hand-picked, hand-sorted, whole-bunch pressed, and then sent to barrel. By June the following year, Véronique Drouhin is deep into the process of creating the small selection of barrels that will become Edition Limitée. Our EL Chardonnay is known for elegance, intensity, precision, and great length on the palate – all Drouhin hallmarks.

## The Vintage

The 2021 vintage was absolutely worth the wait, and we couldn't be more pleased with the charm and grace its wines present at every level. An arid and warm spring led to an even warmer, drier summer with notable heat spikes. Wonderfully, the vines remained healthy, and as temperatures cooled in mid-September, harvest was able to stretch out over three smooth weeks, ending in early October. After a dramatic growing season, the vines delivered grapes with complex flavors, incredible balance, and layers of elegance. As winemakers and grape growers, we couldn't have asked for a better gift from the vineyard.

## Véronique's Tasting Notes

The 2021 EL Chardonnay is a serious wine, balancing complexity and intensity with energy and promise. Flavors of lemon curd, ripe apricot, and stone fruit shine with a delightfully creamy texture and long finish. The EL Chardonnay already has a history of aging well, and you can expect this to develop beautifully over the next 8-10 years.

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