Domaine Drouhin

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2024 DOMAINE DROUHIN OREGON CHARDONNAY ARTHUR

Drouhin Family Estate Chardonnay, Dundee Hills, OR



Beginning with the 2019 vintage, Arthur is now a strict barrel selection. As always, Véronique's goal is for Arthur to be equivalent to a premier cru wine.

About: Our Chardonnay Arthur is produced from 100% Dijon clones, grown on the Drouhin Family Estate in the Dundee Hills of Oregon. First planted in 1990, the low yields of these vines and their early ripening ability have been a perfect match for our climate and soils. Arthur, named for Véronique's son, is a wine that captures the bright, crisp acidity and mineral character of the vineyard, balanced with richness and lovely length.



Arthur & Véronique

Winemaking:

- The 2024 Chardonnay Arthur was hand-picked into small totes and whole-cluster pressed before fermenting entirely in French Oak barrels, most of them neutral.
- This gentle approach reveals the natural texture and complexity of the fruit.
- As the vines approach 30 years of age, they bring added depth and refinement, allowing Véronique to create a Chardonnay of delicate balance and graceful purity.

2024 Vintage: A cool spring in 2024 delayed the start of the growing season, but warm, dry conditions through summer and fall created the perfect setting for an exceptional vintage. The fruit ripened beautifully, with pristine acidity and minimal disease pressure. Véronique already sees 2024 as a remarkable year, defined by vibrancy and balance.

Véronique's Tasting Notes: A classic Arthur, the 2024 vintage opens with youthful energy and refinement, and a kaleidoscopic nose of Anjou pear, green apple, lime zest, vanilla bean and wet stone. On the palate, crisp orchard fruit gives way to richer tones of lemon curd, caramelized apple sea salt and minerality. Built on an elegant, medium-bodied frame, the finish is long, balanced, and distinguished.

WINE SPECTATOR-94 POINTS

Offering an alluring texture and elegant structure, this white shows rich and detailed flavors of baked apple, pear, cinnamon and other spices that build richness on the polished finish. Drink now. —Tim Fish

JEB DUNNUCK-93 POINTS

The 2024 Chardonnay Arthur takes a shade deeper yellow hue compared to the Roserock and offers more depth, with aromas of hay, chamomile, peach skin, toasted almond, and orange citrus. Full-bodied, it has lovely flesh on the palate with restrained tropical hints of mango.

JAMES SUCKLING-93 POINTS

Loads of fresh orchard fruit, baking spices, vanilla bean and wildflowers on the nose. The palate is fresh, flavorful and mouth-filling, with bright, tart acidity and a taut structure. Approachable, balanced and vibrant, this light- to medium-bodied wine aims to please. Drink or hold.

VINOUS-92 POINTS

The 2024 Chardonnay Arthur is understated in the glass, as nuances of chamomile and dried flowers give way to white peach. It is more savory on the palate, with a mineral inflection up front that adds depth to its ripe orchard fruits. The finish has lovely length and a candied citrus tinge that keeps the mouth watering for more.

ALSO: JOHN GILMAN-93 POINTS

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