

## 2020 Chardonnay, Anne Katherina Vineyard, Carneros

**Case Production:** 55 / **SRP:** \$75.00

Blue Farm takes its name from the farmhouse at Anne Moller-Racke's home and vineyard in Carneros. In 2001, Anne planted seven acres of pinot noir divided into three blocks dedicated to the Swan clone and three Dijon clones. In 2017 Anne grafted .5 acres of Wente Chardonnay on a portion of the 777 block to create an estate Chardonnay.

Closest Town: Downtown Sonoma

AVA: Carneros

Varietal: Chardonnay

Planted: 2001

Grafted: 2017

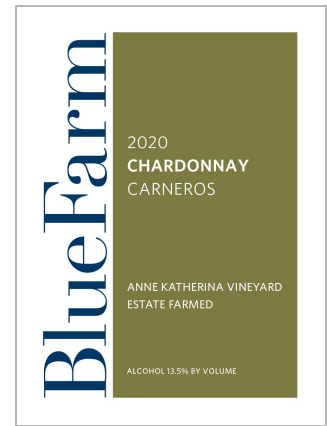
Clone: Wente

Rootstock: 101-14

Soil Type: Gravelly Clay Loam

Aspect: Flat

Row Orientation: East/West



### The Vintage

2020 was one of our most difficult vintages in the last decade. Winter rainfall was low, 14 inches compared to the normal of 24 inches. These drought conditions and constant temperature fluctuations caused a lower than normal set, resulting in lighter yields. Extreme heat in the middle to late August caused lightning storms which started fires in most of northern California. The heat impact was lessened by the higher than normal humidity. Our harvest started early September. We were picked in a few days, which was the right decision. Hang time was not desired this year because of the smoke. The wines were bottled in early March, allowing them to age in barrel for 17 months. Normally, I say that a vintage is a story in a bottle, however, the 20's do not expose all of the hardships of this year. The 2020 vintage wines are very approachable now, with soft tannins and delicious fruit. I feel very grateful that we were able to come out of this year with beautiful wines that we are proud to share. –Anne Moller-Racke

Vintage: 2020

Harvest Date: September 12th

Harvest Brix: 22.6

Harvest pH: 3.6

Harvest TA: 4.95

100% Whole Cluster pressed, Concret Egg & Barrel fermented, aged on the lees for 17 month

Barrel Program: 50% New French oak , Siruge

Bottling Date: March 2022

Bottling % Alcohol: 13.5

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### Blue Farm

Founded on Anne Moller-Racke's 40-plus years of winegrowing in Sonoma, Blue Farm was conceptualized in 2001 during her planting of Anne Katherina, Blue Farm's first estate vineyard. Blue Farm believes that an intimate understanding and connection to our vineyards is core to making site-specific Chardonnay and Pinot Noir of the highest quality.

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