

2023 KATIE'S ACRE

Our Legacy Collection of wines honors the three generations of Trefethens who continue to inspire the estate. Each wine has a unique story, specific intention, and expressive personality. Together, these distinct wines reflect the very best of Trefethen Family Vineyards.

When Gene and Catherine (Katie) Trefethen planted their first vines on the Main Ranch in 1968, Katie insisted that he keep a magnificent Paradox walnut tree, already over 100 years old. This wine, Katie's Acre Chardonnay, completes our Legacy Collection, and the grapes for it are sourced entirely from the special block of Chardonnay that surrounds the tree.

THE VINTAGE

The winter leading up to the growing season brought over 40" of rain, which was above average and a welcome change from the preceding drier years. Cool to moderate temperatures delayed budbreak and bloom by approximately two weeks and persisted as the growing season progressed. The vines grew at a leisurely pace, which allowed us to precisely time all our viticultural activities. Throughout harvest, the grapes had the opportunity to fully ripen with lower sugar and higher acidity, producing deep and bright wines of exceptional quality, reminiscent of classic heralded Napa vintages.

THE WINE

This wine opens with aromas of lemon blossom, apple skin, and ginger, with hints of lemon curd. Lively acidity on the palate reveals bright Meyer lemon and lemongrass finishing with a clean mineral edge.

FOOD AFFINITIES

With its bright acidity and subtle creamy texture, this Chardonnay is a natural match for hard cheeses, cured meats, and mineral-driven shellfish. Winery Chef Chris Kennedy also recommends it with salty favorites like popcorn and truffle fries.



VARIETAL
100% Chardonnay

HARVEST
September 15-21

GRAPE SUGAR
21.0° Brix

APPELLATION
Oak Knoll District
of Napa Valley

OAK
9 months, 26%
new

WINE pH
3.38

ESTATE VINEYARD
100% Main Ranch

ALCOHOL
12.5%

WINE ACID
7.2 g/L

MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION
0%

BARREL FERMENTATION
100%

92 POINTS
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