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CHARDONNA

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## 2018

**APPELLATION** Walla Walla Val<u>ley</u>

BLEND PROFILE 100% Chardonnay

VINEYARD SOURCES Kenny Hill

## BARREL/AGING PROGRAM

Whole cluster pressed very early in the morning while the fruit is still cold. Slowly fermented at cool temperatures in concrete tulips, new and neutral French oak barrels, and stainless steel. Aged on the lees for eight months while undergoing partial secondary fermentation.

## PRODUCTION

Bottling Date: May 2019 Release Date: Fall 2019 Alcohol: 13.7% Cases Produced: 990

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## 2018 ELIZABETH CHARDONNAY

In staying true to our high quality expectations, we decided not to make a Walla Walla Valley Chardonnay in 2017 and so it was a real pleasure to have the quality and return to our beautiful valley in 2018 with this singlevineyard wine. The vines are now really starting to show off and balance out. I love to pick Chardonnay very early in the season to retain natural acid and low alcohol levels. Green apple, loads of fresh cut pear, lemon rind, and the slightest hint of whipped cream are exploding from the glass - very pretty and entrancing aromatically. There is a fantastic balance in this wine - while we focus on acid retention and being acid driven, there is great richness and an elegance that I really enjoy. I am tremendously happy with this new Elizabeth Chardonnay!

Josh McDaniels & DIRECTOR OF WINEMAKING