ECO TERRENO
WINES & VINEYARDS

2019 CULTURA CHARDONNAY
ALEXANDER VALLEY



ABOUT ECO TERRENO

Great wines are not just produced, rather they are carefully cultivated. At Eco Terreno our vast experience along with time honored traditions and a healthy respect for the land help us cultivate grapes that are of the utmost quality and flavor. In 1980, after an extensive search, Founder and Winemaker Mark Lyon found a 122-acre (92 acres planted to vines) vineyard in Alexander Valley near Cloverdale. Today the Lyon and Cisne Vineyards are both 100% certified Organic.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2019 harvest in Alexander Valley was one of the best for our white grapes. A cool spring with late bud break and two unexpected inches of rain in May, coupled with average temperatures allowed us to harvest perfect fruit in September. We opted to leave our Chardonnay on the vine until we had the richness of flavors we were seeking. The 2019 Cultura Chardonnay was 100% barrel fermented in 31% new and 69% neutral French oak barrels to capture a more fruit-driven wine style. 31% underwent malo-lactic fermentation, and select yeast strains were chosen to enhance fruit nuances and esters. The Robert Young Chardonnay clone offers a melange of fruit expressions due to the guava and zyellow apple notes. The blend includes 20% estate Semillon to add notes of Mission Fig and cantaloupe and a softer acidity.

TASTING NOTES

The nose is fragrant with lemon zest, nectarine, pear and a hint of fennel. In the mouth the wine is creamy, medium bodied with bright acidity to support ripe fruit flavors of Golden Delicious apples, candied lemon peel and toasted brioche. The lingering finish echoes the flavors, ending with bright citrus, brioche and toasted hazelnut notes.

AVA:	Alexander Valley
HARVEST DATE:	September 2019
BLEND:	80% Chardonnay, 20% Semillon
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME:	14.4%
TA:	4.70 g/L
PH:	3.62
AGING:	61% new French oak barrels, 69% neutral French oak barrels
BOTTLED:	August 2020
CASES PRODUCED:	390
MSRP:	$19
ESTATE:	CCOF Certified Organic

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