



TWO SQUARED

ARROYO SECO

Monterey County

2023

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2023 season began with a classically cold and wet winter and spring (40% above average rainfall in Monterey County) which delayed bud break, bloom, and fruit set. Vineyards were tracking about four weeks behind a normal year, which stayed that way through a long, moderate summer. Harvest started almost a month later than 2022 with variable yields from ranch to ranch and even block to block. Chardonnay is expressing its coastal trademark this year, with a finesse and elegance and more earthy and mineral touches that bode well for aging.

VINEYARD SOURCES

Grapes for this vintage came primarily from JL Wood Ranch in the Arroyo Seco AVA, located in the heart of Monterey County. Arroyo Seco is one of California's earliest recognized viticultural areas for Chardonnay with vineyards dating back to the 1970's. Over millennia, a waterway named "Arroyo Seco" has brought rainwater from the Santa Lucia Mountains and the Los Padres National Forest to this acclaimed growing region and created a diverse geography featuring rocky soils that's further enhanced by a cool, windy climate.

WINEMAKING

Grapes were whole cluster pressed and the juice was cold settled for four days before fermentation at cool temperatures in 80% stainless steel tanks and 20% in French oak barriques followed by partial malolactic fermentation. This wine was aged for twelve months with monthly stirring of the lees in 80% stainless steel tanks and 20% in French oak barriques of which 20% were new.

Sight	Medium yellow with gold highlights
Nose	Pure, refreshing aromas of pear and papaya, enhanced by notes of apple blossom, watercress and tarragon
Palate	Medium bodied, bright flavors of red apple, pear and apricot with savory herbs, brioche, vanilla and an underlying minerality



ABOUT TWO SQUARED

Two Squared wines celebrate the ideal union of grape and place. Our journey began in 2009 with a Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, from high quality, under the radar vineyards. Today, we expand that same exploration to the finest winegrowing regions along California's North and Central Coasts, in pursuit of those perfect expressions of grape and terroir.

Deep-rooted relationships between our winemakers and growers, combined with a shared understanding of each varietal and its environment, are fundamental to the craftsmanship of Two Squared wines.