

Thirty Bench Small Lot Chardonnay 2021 Extended Barrel Aged

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"Our winery is located in the tiny appellation called the Beamsville Bench. This narrow strip of land near Lake Ontario boasts sloping vineyards and deep, dry soils; a valuable terroir that shapes the exceptional taste of our wine."

WINE MAKING

Harvested from our own Thirty Bench vineyard. The grapes are whole bunch pressed, then the juice is transferred to French oak barrels. The Chardonnay is barrel fermented and aged in French oak barrels for 22 months (20% new oak); aged on light lees (sur lie), and no malolactic fermentation. The extended barrel aging increase's structure, complexity, and mouthfeel.

WINE ANALYSIS

Sweetness Level: Dry, 2.6 g/l

Alcohol: 12.5%

Total Acidity: 6.5 g/l UPC#: 0 48162 02067 2

PID#: 1242371 Price: \$45.00

Small Lot Production: 250 cases

FLAVOUR PROFILE

This richly textured Chardonnay has a deep straw yellow hue, and a bouquet of yellow apple, grilled pineapple, Meyer lemon, and spiced oak. This medium-bodied, smooth, round, and rich Chardonnay showcases flavours of grilled tropical fruit, spice, and oak. The lingering finish entices with notes of spice, oak, tropical fruit, and Meyer lemon, with just enough acidity to refresh.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Serve not overly chilled at 14 to 16°C. Wonderful sipping wine for cool evenings. Enjoy with turkey with mushroom stuffing and creamy mashed potatoes; smoked chicken with creamy pasta; grilled pork chops with Dijon and tarragon; smoked salmon risotto; roasted chicken; barbecued chicken breast. Sip alongside smoked Gouda, smoked cheddar, and truffled Brie cheeses with Artisanal breads. Drink now through 2026.

"We are committed to 'Small Lot' winemaking. Our grapes are harvested from vineyards that produce low yields with incredible quality. Our wines are always made in small batches, reinforcing our belief that less is more. Each wine made at Thirty Bench is distinctive – a unique expression of our vineyard and our Small Lot approach to winemaking."

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