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2017 Chardonnay
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ALC. 13.4% BY VOL.

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GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) According to the Surgeon General, women should not drink alcoholic beverages during pregnancy because of the risk of birth defects. (2) Consumption of alcoholic beverages impairs your ability to drive a car or operate machinery, and may cause health problems.

750ML CONTAINS SULFITES

Minus Tide: Cool-climate wines that showcase the distinct, coastal, and rustic winegrowing region of Mendocino, California.

Tasting Notes: Delicately balancing richness and freshness, this elegant, mouthwatering Chardonnay has an expansive texture and a focused beam of acidity. Notes of stone fruit, pear, and fresh peach lead into citrusy, briny flavors, along with wet slate. Layered, juicy, and polished.

The Vineyard: Mariah Vineyard - Mendocino Ridge AVA, Mendocino

Nicknamed “Islands in the Sky” for the ridgetops that sit above the fog line surrounded by a sea of clouds, the Mendocino Ridge Appellation is the only non-contiguous AVA in the U.S. Comprised of vineyards at elevations of at least 1,200 ft., this AVA consists of just around 18 vineyards. One of these unique sites is the Mariah Vineyard, which is farmed by Dan Dooling and sits at 2,600 ft., overlooking the Pacific. The Chardonnay from this site has pronounced minerality and a distinct saline quality that result from the coastal influence, and because the vineyard is dry farmed.

Winemaking: Native yeast. Whole-cluster pressed. Fermented and aged in neutral French oak puncheons for 13 months. Unfined and unfiltered.

Vintage: The warm growing season of 2017 led to early ripening and a condensed, early harvest. Moderate yields combined with warm weather led to wines with great intensity.

Technical Details:

Composition: 100% Chardonnay

pH: 3.30

TA: 5.8 g/L

Brix at harvest: 22.5

Alcohol: 13.4%

125 cases produced