

#### ALC: 14.5%

CASE PACK: 12

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# BRASS TACKS

# 2021 CHARDONNAY CALIFORNIA

The 2021 Brass Tacks Chardonnay opens with citrus fruit, followed by fig and hints of honeysuckle. On the palate, fresh tropical flavors of papaya and mango. Minimal malolactic fermentation helped develop the luscious, round mouth feel while maintaining balanced acidity. A wonderfuly crisp Chardonnay that makes an excellent sipping wine or pair with white sauced pastas, roast chickent, salmon, or fresh spring salad.

90 points - Wilfred Wong, 2023

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

2021 season is characterized by the California drought and consistent weather throughout the growing season. The lack of spring rainfall led to early budbreak, lower yields and smaller berries. The growing season was long and consistent, with no major heat spikes. This consistency made for ideal growing conditions. The small clusters developed evenly and were packed full of flavor, resulting in wines that are fruit forward and wonderfully balanced.

## **CALIFORNIA GROWN**

Our Brass Tacks Chardonnay combines the finest attributes from California's premier wine growing regions. Small lots of Chardonnay were carefully selected from vineyards throughout California, each adding their own unique facet to the final blend. Minimalistic winemaking techniques were used, with a small portion aged in seasoned oak to add dimension. The result is an approachable, fruit-forward wine where classic varietal character and California terroir shine through in every glass.

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#### QUINTESSENTIAL CALIFORNIA WINES

Let's get down to brass tacks, shall we? This is the phrase that echoed Daniel LeFrancois's desire to craft wines that are true expressions of California's wine growing regions and varietals. Daniel sources fruit from premier regions throughout California, selected to add specific nuances to the final wine. Through traditional winemaking practices, Daniel creates wines that are reflective of classic varietal characteristics, resulting in approachable wines that are flavorful, harmonious, and food-friendly.

**brass tacks (noun):** the most fundamental considerations; essentials; (usually used in the phrase "get down to brass tacks").