

2021

DIVISION "MUSICAL CHAIRS"

Playful pool sipper mingling multiple grape varieties.

BOX SCORE	
VARIETY	CHARDONNAY 40% SAUVIGNON BLANC 39% MÜLLER THURGAU 11% GEWÜRZTRAMINER 10%
ALC	12.5%
PH	3.29
APPELLATION	OREGON WHITE WINE
PRODUCTION	193 CASES
AGEING	6 MONTHS NEUTRAL AND STAINLESS BARRELS



VINTAGE RECAP

The 2021 vintage in the Northwest was pretty typical except for one glaring gigantic difference.

In late June, we experienced an unprecedented heat dome that brought temperatures up to 120+ degrees for 2 days with lower 100s on the shoulders. Our young vines behaved with surprising resilience, but the heat evaporated a lot of moisture from the soils early in the season. We lost some baby vines and anxiously watched the rest of the season, wondering how our dry farmed sites would handle the drought conditions. Thankfully, just the right amount of early season rain came in early September and the weather was pleasant the rest of the harvest.

WINEMAKING + FERMENTATION

We created Musical Chairs out of a love for Loire Valley whites, specifically those of the Touraine. Wines that are versatile, thirst quenching and just plain tasty. The basis for this white wine is crisp Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc (the traditional Loire components), but we felt something was missing, so we blended in small amounts of more aromatic varieties, including Gewürztraminer and Müller-Thurgau to make this wine expressive in a unique and delicious way. Unfined, unfiltered and with a small amount of sulfur added at blending.

TASTING NOTES

A balancing act indeed, Musical Chairs' playful yet focused poise hits the summertime pleasure we seek in a wine. Juicy and tangy with floral notes and a dash of perfectly ripe melon lead the way. A wine that can go with just about any setting, whether with food or simply with a few friends after a long day.