

EVESHAM WOOD

The Wine
Designation: Chardonnay Le Puits Sec
Vintage: 2021
Produced: 45 cases
ABV: 12.5%
Released: Spring 2023

The Place
AVA: Eola-Amity Hills
Vineyard: Le Puits Sec
Planted: 1991
Density: 2300 vines per acre
Soil: Nekia
Elevation: 423-36'
Exposure: East-southeast
Harvested: Mid-September, 2021
Farming: Dry-farmed using organic practices
Certification: Organic (Oregon Tilth)

The Method
Yeast: Native
Fermentation: Whole-cluster pressed allowed to settle overnight and barrel-fermented
Malolactic Conversion: Indigenous & complete
Elevage: 16 months
Oak Regimen: Neutral Francois Frere barrels

Winemaker Notes:

Our quarter acre of Chardonnay at the very top of Le Puits Sec gave us two barrels of wine which is way up from last year's nil.

It was barrel-fermented in neutral oak and allowed to complete its full malo-lactic conversion in contact with its lees but without battonage. Following the malos we racked the wine clean and held it in barrel for an additional 12 months.

The '21s are broadly fruited across the pomaceous and ripe citrus range. Akin to the richness of the '18s with a bive more verve.

- Erin Nuccio

