



Adrienne

CHENIN BLANC | HORSE HEAVEN HILLS AVA 2023

WINEMAKING NOTES

Aged in a concrete egg before bottling, this technique enhances the Chenin Blanc's natural texture and minerality. The unique shape of the egg encourages gentle mixing of the sediment, which helps to preserve the wine's fresh fruit character while adding subtle, stony nuances. This was an exceptional growing season for the region, with an extended period of warm, stable daytime weather and cool nights, ideal for developing complex flavors and maintaining the balanced acidity that makes this wine shine.

TASTING NOTES

This wine showcases vibrant stone fruit notes of peaches and apricots, complemented by a subtle hint of struck match. The creamy, rounded mouthfeel from malo-lactic fermentation offers a smooth texture, while prominent stone fruit flavors are balanced by the crispness of grapefruit. The finish reveals nuanced complexity with lingering hints of unripe fruit and wet stone, adding freshness and contrast.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

The Columbia Crest Vineyard in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA, planted in 1979, benefits from mature vines rooted in loess and sandy soils over basalt. Proximity to the Columbia River moderates temperatures, creating ideal conditions for vibrant acidity and complex flavors, essential to our Adrienne Chenin Blanc.

BLEND

100% Chenin Blanc

BARREL

Neutral French Oak Puncheons & Concrete egg

PRODUCTION

cases

RELEASE

Spring 2025

APPELLATION

Horse Heaven Hills AVA

VINEYARDS

Columbia Crest Old Vines

PAST ACCOLADES

2022 – 92 (OB); 90 (IWR); Silver Medal (Sunset Mag Int'l Wine Comp)

2020 – 95 (Seattle Wine Awards, Dbl Gld); 92 (OB)

2019 – 92 (OB); 91 (IWR)

ANALYSIS

ALC 13%

pH: 3.2

TA: .70



EFESTÉ winery was established in 2005 by Daniel and Helen Ferrelli, along with their son-in-law and daughter, Kevin and Angela Taylor. Since its inception, the EFESTÉ's primary focus has been producing award-winning wines using minimalist techniques, including native fermentation and low oxygenation techniques. EFESTÉ sources its exceptional grapes from the finest regions in Washington, emphasizing single varietals and their Estate vineyards. Experience the culmination of our passion: distinctly Washington, Uniquely EFESTÉ.

