THE OJAI VINEYARD

2021 CHARDONNAY RANCHO ONTIVEROS Santa Maria Valley

Everything here is very Chardonnay, in a classically proportioned way. You find vivid earthy scents of wet stones, along with white nectarine, dried apples, shortbread, and raw nut flesh. Little teases of tropicality are in the mix too. It hits the palate with a crack and quickly expands into a full textured mid-palate bound by ropes of minerality. It drinks like excellent Macon with its corseted sense of curvature and mineral buoyance.