

2023 LUTHIER

Old Mission Peninsula

99.03% Chardonnay, .64% Auxerrois,
.21% Pinot Blanc, .12% Pinot Gris

A Luthier is a maker of wooden instruments. To craft a world class instrument, the Luthier needs to balance the lightness of the wood with the strength of the construction. The art lies in creating resonance and timbre. The Luthier wine was made with a similar philosophy. The wood served to carry and amplify the beauty of the fruit within.

For this wine, we fermented Chardonnay in a variety of vessels. 52% was aged in a 1200L stück (or, in French, round foudre) and the rest in clay amphora and stainless steel. The wine was then blended and aged for an additional three months before bottling. The idea was to bring balance through the overtones presented by each vessel.

THE VINEYARDS

Swanson Vineyard

Appellation: Old Mission Peninsula

Varieties: Blaufränkisch, Chardonnay

Acreage: 2

Year Planted: 2014

Grown by: The Swanson family; tended
by John Lyon

Lyon Farm/Island View Orchard

Appellation: Old Mission Peninsula

Varieties: Pinot Gris, Blaufränkisch, Chardonnay, Kerner, Auxerrois

Acreage: 11.33

Year Planted: 2014

Grown by: The Lyon Family



wine specs

RS: 3.3 g/L

PH: 3.46

TA: 4.4 g/L

ABV: 13%

234 cases

Aged: 12 months in a combination of French Oak stück (1200 L), clay amphora, stainless steel
Aging window: 5 years