



GOLAN HEIGHTS WINERY

YARDEN

Chardonnay 2022

VARIETY

Chardonnay

ABOUT YARDEN

Yarden is the premier label and flagship brand of Golan Heights Winery. Each year, the finest grapes from the best vineyards are reserved for Yarden wines. “Yarden” is the Hebrew word for Jordan River, which bisects the Golan Heights from the Galilee. The label features a symbol of ancient Israel: an oil lamp decorated with mosaic tile.

WINEMAKER

Victor Schoenfeld

THE WINE

2022 Yarden Chardonnay is made with fruit harvested from vineyards at elevations up to 3,900 feet in the northern Golan Heights, a cool area renowned for high-quality Chardonnay. Aged on the lees in French oak barrels for seven months, 2022 Yarden Chardonnay presents ripe lemon, melon, floral and pear aroma notes, intermingling with hints of apricot and French oak. Ready to enjoy now, the wine will continue to develop in the bottle and remain in excellent condition for five to seven years from vintage.

THE VINTAGE

The 2022 harvest marked our 40th vintage, and the first since 2019 not under strict coronavirus protocols. A rainy March ensured the start of spring growth with ample water reservoirs in the Golan’s beautiful volcanic soils. Though a historic heat wave hit at the end of August, our deep-rooted vineyards were largely unaffected. The relatively short 11-week 2022 vintage delivered quality fruit and yields 4% above normal, making for an outstanding harvest in the Golan Heights.

ACCOLADES

Beverage Tasting Institute **91 pts, Gold (2019)** | Wine Enthusiast **87 pts (2018)** | Teksom **Silver Medal (2018)** | Mundus Vini **Gold (2023)**

ABOUT THE GALILEE APPELLATION

The Galilee (or Galil) is the northernmost — and generally considered the best — appellation in Israel. The highest quality growing area within the appellation is the Golan Heights (or simply the Golan), also the coldest region in Israel. The vineyards on this volcanic plateau rise from 1,300 feet to 3,900 feet above sea level and receive snowfall in the winter. Golan Heights Winery is located in the town of Katzrin in the central Golan.



Victor J. Schoenfeld, Winemaker

% ALC BY VOL	TA	pH
14.0%	7.1 (g/l)	3.14