

# the Organized Crime winery



## 2021 Cuvée Krystyna Chardonnay, VQA



*Silver Medal, 2023 National Wine Awards of Canada*

**Cases Bottled:** 125

**Price:** \$39.95

**Appellation:** VQA Beamsville Bench

**Winemaker:** Greg Yemen

**Composition:** 100% Chardonnay

Wild yeast ferment, 84% malolactic conversion.

No lees stirring. 8 months on ferment lees.

**Oak:** Puncheon & Barrel; 15% new French oak, Damy AM

**Alcohol:** 12.80%

**RS:** <2

**VA:** 0.39

**TA:** 5.82

**pH:** 3.36

**Total SO2:** 64

**Free SO2:** 30

**Tasting Note:**

This special Cuvée is made in honour and memory of Krystyna Tarasewicz, our co-founder. Picked almost three weeks later than the 2020 Cuvée due to the contrasting vintage conditions, the 2021 vintage still remains remarkably similar in character. While the new vintage is a more delicate rendition of this beautiful wine, it still represents the vineyard well. Baked spiced apple, lemon curd, and a hint of flinty reduction on the nose leaves a long finish. Crisp and fresh, yet nicely textured from time resting on ferment lees.

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