



LAVINEA

LAZY RIVER VINEYARD

2017 *Chardonnay* N° 0001

Decanter

Oregon Chardonnay: Frontier Flavours

“ That it’s such a draw for so many Burgundians of note is sufficient to tell you that Oregon’s Willamette Valley is a developing wine region to be followed, and still a land of discovery. Charles Curtis MW highlights his pick of the producers, along with 12 great wines to try. ”

Oregon: 10 names to know

Lavinea

“ Quebec-native winemaker Isabelle Meunier worked with Pascal Marchand at Domaine de la Vougeraie and Dominique Lafon at Evening Land, from where she left to found Lavinea in 2014. Continuing to work close to the Burgundian model, she produces a Chardonnay from Elton Vineyard in Eola-Amity Hills and another from Lazy River in Yamhill-Carlton. ”

The Curtis dozen: top Chardonnays from Oregon’s Willamette Valley

Lavinea, 2017 Lazy River Vineyard,
Yamhill-Carlton 92 pts.

“ Picked in October with modest sugar levels and plenty of acidity, the grapes come from volcanic soils, gently pressed, fermented and aged 12 months in cask (15% new), with the full malolactic fermentation finished. Forward aromas of orange peel and ripe pear, a hint of spice. Refreshingly juicy and fresh, this is a taut, elegant wine of rewarding persistence. Drink 2020-2030. ”