


MONTE XANIC
BODEGA VINÍCOLA

CHARDONNAY · OJOS NEGROS

# Chardonnay 2025

*Barrel-fermented, with precision and energy.*

A mild-to-warm start to the 2025 season and a cooler September kept growth steady through the final development of the grapes, and the September rains never touched this variety. A long-time crowd favorite, this Chardonnay comes from Kompali, Monte Xanic's vineyard in Valle de Ojos Negros, picked on September 10 and 16 to open up aromas, texture and acidity. It is fermented and aged in French oak barriques, stirred on the lees for added texture.

WINEMAKER OSCAR GAONA

| GRAPE | STYLE | ALCOHOL | PRODUCTION | SULFITES | DRINK |
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| Chardonnay | White | 12.8% | 1,040 cases | 35 ppm | Upon release |
| 100% | French oak, 10 mo | by volume | 12,480 bottles | free $SO_2$ | & up to 8 years |

ATTRIBUTES

RF Regenerative Farming

SO Sustainably Operated

## The Vineyard

Kompali, in Valle de Ojos Negros, where a cold winter lets the vines rest and big day-to-night swings build flavor and acidity.

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| Site | Kompali, Ojos Negros |
| Elevation | 2,254 ft |
| Soil | Sand, lime, a little clay |
| Planted | 2018 |
| Clones | 95, 96 & FPS 17 |
| Farming | Regenerative, 14.8 ac |

## In the Cellar

Non-interventionist: no tartaric acid or fining additives. 24 hours on skins, and malolactic in a third of the barrels.

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| Harvest | Sept 10 & 16, 2025 |
| Fermentation | 225 & 500 L barriques |
| Yeast | Metschnikowia, Burgundy |
| Aging | 10 mo, French oak |
| Lees | Batonnage, 2.5–3 mo |
| Filtration | Sterile |

## The 2025 Vintage

Mild to warm early on, then a cooler September for steady ripening. The September rains did not touch this variety.

> *"an excellent site selection for this Chardonnay according to fruit flavor, intensity and acidity."*
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> MONTE XANIC, ON WHAT MAKES IT UNIQUE

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Founded in 1987 by Hans Backhoff and four friends, Monte Xanic is heralded as Mexico's first boutique winery, and its move to make wine from its own grapes helped spark the valley's boutique revolution.

Since 2023 every bottle comes only from its own estate vineyards in Valle de Guadalupe and Valle de Ojos Negros, farmed regeneratively with organic practices, and its winery is a model of modern eco-friendly design.

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| 1987 FOUNDED | 2 VALLEYS |
| 18 WINES | 100,000 CASES TOTAL |