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C H A R D O N N A Y

W I N E N O T E S

• G R A P E S O U R C I N G •

Our grapes are sourced from California's Russian River Valley, a growing area that has emerged to growing some exceptional flavorful Chardonnay grapes. Close to the sea, the region's summer warmth is moderated by fog and other cooling maritime influences, creating an ideal climate for Chardonnay grapes.

Grape Sourcing: 100% Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

Reports from winemakers and winegrowers about fruit quality in 2013 are positive, despite a few rainstorms. Several regions around the Russian River Valley reported that the rainstorm was accompanied by some high winds that helped dry out moisture. This year's Chardonnay crop continues to come in at average to above average size with excellent flavor profiles that are lush, balanced and consistent. With grapes showing beautiful color and aromas providing richness and finesse throughout the palate.

Technical Information: 0.49 TA, 3.44 PH, 14.3% alcohol

• W I N E M A K I N G •

After a gentle pressing, the grapes were cold settled and racked before fermentation. A majority of the blend was barrel fermented and aged with a combination of natural yeasts. After fermentation, the wine went through sur lies and partial malolactic fermentation, increasing the silky texture and lengthy finish in the wine.

Varietal blend: 100% Chardonnay

• W I N E M A K E R ' S N O T E S •

Our Chardonnay is a wine of balanced richness with hints of vanilla and Gravenstein apple on the nose, carrying through to the palate with an elegant, silky finish. This Chardonnay is delicious on its own, or pair with grilled wild Alaskan salmon with braised fennel and baby potatoes.