

Landmark Vineyards

2015 OVERLOOK CHARDONNAY



VARIETAL	Chardonnay
APPELLATION	Sonoma County
BARREL REGIME	French oak aged for 10 months (25% new)
FERMENTATION	Native Yeast
WINEMAKER	Greg Stach
BOTTLING DATE	July 2016
RELEASE DATE	February 2017
ALCOHOL	14.2%

VINEYARD NOTES

An elegant blend of premium fruit from Sonoma County, the vineyards used in the Overlook Chardonnay represent some of the best that 2015 had to offer. Greg Stach's expertise selecting the finest sites and our growers' excellent viticultural practices yielded truly exceptional fruit from respected parcels such as Lorenzo and Lone Oak in the Russian River Valley and Bald Mountain in the Sonoma Valley. The Chardonnay is hand harvested, hand sorted and fermented using all native yeasts providing the purest snapshot of what this vintage had to offer.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Our earliest Overlook Chardonnay harvest ever started on August 21st 2015 and finished on September 28th 2015 and was comprised of 42 individual lots sourced from 24 vineyards. Each lot was lightly whole cluster pressed, the juice was allowed to settle for a day, then was placed into French oak barrels (25% new) where it spontaneously fermented using native yeast to add complexity to the wine. The barrels were stirred twice a month to round out the wine and build texture, and the wine was aged sur-lie for 10 months before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Aromatic with ripe fruit of lemon, green apple with crème caramel and toasty oak. The palate is rich and textured with ripe fruit and lemon tart on entry, subtle herbal notes with mandarin orange join on the mid-palate with lingering complex fruit and toasted elements lingering on the long, crisp, refreshing finish.

SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRINGS

The 2015 Overlook Chardonnay is mouth-filling, but refreshingly crisp and balanced and makes a perfect pairing to a fettucine alfredo with grated lemon zest and a twist of cracked pepper, or with a simple grilled swordfish fillet with basil lemon butter.

WINERY HISTORY

Nestled at the base of the Mayacamas Mountains in the Sonoma Valley, Landmark Vineyards epitomizes the rustic grace and beauty of Sonoma County. Since 1974, Landmark has been dedicated to producing handcrafted, ultra-premium Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, sourcing grapes from unique vineyard sites throughout California to create rich, balanced wines.

TASTING NOTES BY JIM GERAKARIS, SOMMELIER

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