

Hollywood & Vine CELLARS®

2480

2013 Chardonnay

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

100% Chardonnay

VINEYARDS:

Mountaintop breezes naturally cool the fruit that becomes Hollywood & Vine Chardonnay. As with previous vintages, in 2013 a cooler-than-normal growing season amplified the intensity of this high-elevation Chardonnay.

BARREL AGING:

Crafted entirely from the Harold Weimer clone of Chardonnay, this intensely aromatic non-malolactic wine was harvested by hand in the early morning hours of September 14, 2013. It was whole-cluster pressed, then barrel fermented and left to age in French oak on the natural yeast lees. The lees were stirred bi-weekly to add texture and body to the mid-palate. The wine was kept in barrels until just prior to bottling in mid-June, 2014.

ANALYSIS:

Alcohol: 14.5% by volume

CASES PRODUCED:

411 cases

RELEASE DATE:

September 2014

WINEMAKER:

Celia Welch

WINEMAKER NOTES: tasted July 2014

"This intensely floral Chardonnay displays light, ethereal notes of jasmine and apple blossom, supported by ripe apricot and pear, with base notes of vanilla and just a touch of creamy butterscotch from the light contribution of French Oak. The natural acidity adds a sense of freshness to both the aromas and the flavors and provides a counterpoint to the ripe fruit notes. Very slightly more expansive and broader on the mid-palate than previous vintages, the finish lingers nicely with notes of fresh pear and pineapple."

-Celia Welch

