

2016

# CHARDONNAY

### **DETAILS**

Vintage

2015

Varietal

Chardonnay

**Appellation** 

Santa Ritta Hills

Alcohol %

14.2%

## TASTING NOTES

**Aromas** 

Stone fruits, ripe pear, and jasmine

**Flavors** 

Fuji apple, white peach, and toasted oak

Finish

Clean mineral finish with broad, expansive texture



### VINEYARD SOURCE

Santa Rita Hills, which experiences windy maritime influence funneling through the east-west corridor

Calcium-rich soils combined with sandy loam and clay loam, excellent growing conditions for Chardonnayexceptional intensity and complex

### WINEMAKING

The Fruit

Gently whole cluster pressed

#### The Juice

Press cuts to fine-tune quality and vinify in small lots

Fermented in French oak barrels

Bâtonnage (lees stirring) and extended élevage

technique to promote lees contact and palate

richness

#### The Wine

Racked to French oak barrels and aged 16 months