



2015 ESTATE DIJON  
CHARDONNAY RESERVE  
*Napa Valley*

BLEND

*Chardonnay 100 %*

VINEYARD

Growing conditions in 2015 were ideal for Chardonnay grapes. Warm days and cool nights allowed for optimal growing conditions. This Chardonnay comes from our Estate Vineyard along the Napa River. Grapes at this vineyard benefit from sandy well drained soil. They were protected by extended early morning fog and able to ripen slowly, thereby developing complex flavors. The Dijon 95 Clone originates from the heart of Burgundy. This wine was picked in mid-September.

WINEMAKING

We whole cluster pressed the grapes to retain fresh fruit and delicate flavors. The juice was settled at fifty degrees Fahrenheit for twenty-four hours. The juice was racked into 55 percent new French Oak barrels and the balance in neutral oak.. This wine experienced sur lees battonage in barrel for month before it was bottled in February of 2017.

TASTING NOTES

The 2015 Estate Dijon Chardonnay has a light golden color. The nose is filled with toasted almonds, caramel, and baked apple which continue on to the palate to create a balanced, yet visceral crème Brule finish. This wine is a full bodied expression of Chardonnay's varietal character and will pair well with salmon and cream based cheeses.

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