

2013 Chardonnay

Appellation: Napa Valley

Composition: 100% Chardonnay (Old Wente Clone) originally a selection from

Meursault. Grown in three small blocks including Mitch Cosentino's

home vineyard which provided the budwood for the other two.

Winemaking: The wine was barrel fermented and aged in specially made French oak

Burgundy barrels designed for winemaker Mitch, styled Chardonnays exclusively for 12 months, 40% new. There is no malolactic fermentation, so this wine retains its bright natural acidity and as a

result will age for many years.

Tasting Notes: An intense well structured wine, with depth, balance and length. This

Chardonnay is more true Burgundy style that has a floral, citrus, and mineral notes in the nose that will open up and show flavors of honeysuckle, apple, pineapple with a hint of vanilla. It is a "red wine

drinkers" – white wine.

Production: Less than 300 cases, very limited.

Comments: This is designed to age and improve for many years. The fruit should

peak in 2017 when it will become richer and silkier in texture through

2020.

... Winemaker – Mitch Cosentino