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2011 DUTTON RANCH CHARDONNAY

Blend:

100% Chardonnay

Alcohol: *14.2%*

Appellation: *Russian River Valley*

Case Production: *225 cases*

Bottled: *July 2012*

Retail: *\$38.00*

Technical Information:

40% inoculate yeast, 60% wild yeast. Barrel fermented.

Oak Program: *30% new French Oak and sur-lie aged for 11 months.*

Tasting Notes

Making its debut in our wine offerings is this 2011 Dutton Ranch Chardonnay. Made from 30 year old Wente Clone vines this wine is full of complexity but never heavy or tiring on the palate. Aromas of fresh cut flowers, pineapple, lychee, honey, and hints of lemon entice on the nose of this bright Chardonnay. The palate is a showcase for more of the same. Luscious pure tropical fruit and light citrus flavors emerge from the glass, all backed up by vibrant acidity. A streak of minerality is shown throughout the palate which gives way to a long creamy finish, what feels like a minute plus. Though this Chardonnay has wonderful mid weight to it you won't find big aromas of oak or malolactic notes. The fruit is the star here and there is plenty of vibrancy and purity to it.

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