

2014 Olivet Lane Vineyard Chardonnay

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The 2014 Olivet Lane Chardonnay is highly expressive on the nose with notes of white flowers, yellow apple, fresh pineapple, and tangerine pith that seem to leap from the glass. The depth of the wine is accentuated with savory elements of pencil lead, and a waxy, lanolin-like element. The flavors build on the palate with Meyer lemon and apple pie spices leavened with a starfruit back note. The acidity is seamlessly integrated and carries notes of minerals and gravel to the elegant finish. The structure of this wine lends itself to aging or can be enjoyed now with your favorite mushroom risotto recipe.

THE VINEYARD

Located on the western benchlands of the Santa Rosa Plain, the Olivet Lane Vineyard is one of the oldest vineyards in the Russian River Valley. It was planted in 1975 by the Pellegrini family to Chardonnay and Pinot Noir vines exclusively.

HARVEST 2014

After two stellar vintages, 2014 completes the trifecta of high quality growing seasons where the wines exhibit purity of place with generous fruit and elegant textures. The season began as one of the driest winters on record with only 40% of normal rainfall by mid-season. April rains replenished the soil's moisture profile to re-invigorate the plants, boost growth, and help set a bountiful crop. The harvest season was near perfect with warm temperatures allowing for a leisurely picking schedule. 2014 is a superb vintage of compelling nature and will develop well with long range cellaring.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 22% new, 17% 1 yr., 13% 2 yr., 48% 3+ yr.

Barrel Aged: 15 months

pH: 3.29

TA: 0.67g/100mL

Alc: 14.1%

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