

**JCB**  
by Jean-Charles Boisset

2015 **N°49**



## Chardonnay

**Golden • Enterprising • Tribute**

**Grape Variety:** 100% Chardonnay

**Region:** Santa Lucia Highlands

### Winemaking Notes:

Whole cluster barrel fermented

Aged in 100% French oak, sur-lie with monthly battonage

- 20% new oak

- aged for 12 months

**Tasting Notes:** The cool climate vineyards in the Santa Lucia Highlands produce grapes with high acidity and brightness that delight the palate. Creamy citrus, Asian pear and delicate floral notes of honeysuckle present on the nose. Undergoing complete malolactic fermentation, this Chardonnay entices the palate with the smooth and rich aspect of crême brulee. Notes of blanched almonds, preserved meyer lemon and lightly toasted coconut fully envelope the mouth, and hints of minerality lead to a clean finish.

**What The Number 49 Signifies:** Inspired by the growth and change in California in 1849, Jean-Charles wanted to craft a Chardonnay as momentous as the discovery of the first nuggets of gold. At the same time, California was emerging anew, and with the writing of the first state constitution...the state of California was born!

Jean-Charles crafted the No 49 in **TRIBUTE** to the year 1849. The year when California's first state constitution was crafted and signed in Monterey, and also a time of great **ENTERPRISING** due to the gold rush. Today we know that the true gold of California is this **GOLDEN** elixir – Chardonnay!