



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



Appellation
Green Valley of the
Russian River Valley

Harvest Date
10/29/11

Alcohol
14.5% by volume

pH
3.17

Titrateable Acidity
7.72 g/L

Aged in Oak
100%
~20% New Oak~

Origin of Oak
French

Months in Barrel
14

Malolactic Conversion
50%

Production
92 Cases



2012 HAWK HILL VINEYARD CHARDONNAY

In the Vineyard

The Hawk Hill Vineyard is situated in the far southwest corner of the Russian River Valley at an old stage coach stop. The vineyard hangs onto a steep south-facing hillside, bathed by regular fog cycles and coastal wind. Grapevines struggle to ripen their fruit at such a cool site, but meticulous viticulture practices and patience are rewarded with an opulent range of flavors and impressive complexity from the long hang time. Minerality and acidity are preserved in this climate, deftly complementing the richness captured from our winemaking

Conversations with the Winemaker

We select clone 5 grapes from Hawk Hill that are hand-picked, sorted, whole-cluster pressed and barrel fermented with the Montrachet yeast strain. The wine is aged in French oak barrels, 20% new, for 14 months prior to bottling, and undergoes 50% Malolactic fermentation.

Tasting Notes

A beautiful pale yellow catches your eye as this wine is poured into your glass. The intense aromas of lemon bar and vanilla excite your senses upon first sniff. Next you will enjoy the tantalizing flavors of lemon, caramel, rich spice and vanilla. With just the right amount of creaminess, due to this Chardonnay being lees stirred, high acid and medium body, this wine ends with a long, refreshing finish. A delightfully refreshing wine that pairs with many of your favorite dishes.

Jean Charles Boisset

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

Brian Maloney

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker