



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



APPELLATION: Green Valley of the
Russian River Valley

ALCOHOL: 14.5% by volume

PH: 3.42

TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 5.7 g/L

AGED IN OAK: 100% French Oak,
40% New Oak

ORIGIN OF OAK: French

MONTHS IN BARREL: 13

PRODUCTION: 147 Cases

2016 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 native yeast. The wine is aged in French oak barrels, 40% new, for 13 months and undergoes 100% Malolactic fermentation before being bottled unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 Hawk Hill Vineyard Chardonnay features a bright straw color with a hint of green in the glass, and offers alluring aromas of honey suckle with a bright dash of citrus. Luscious flavors of vanilla, ginger snap and a hint of minerality lead to a luscious, round mouthfeel with a bright lingering finish.

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker