

CALIFORNIA'S FIRST PREMIUM WINERY

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Buena Vista Winery

VINICULTURAL SOCIETY

2015
ELEANORA'S CHARDONNAY
NORTH COAST

The Buena Vista Vinicultural Society, formed in 1863 by the winery's founder, Count Agoston Haraszthy to further improve its winemaking prowess and expand its vineyards, has been restored as a collection of unique small-production wines that honor the winery's pioneering spirit and contribution to California winemaking. The Vinicultural Society explores clonal selections, varietals and the incredible terroir of Northern California.

Named for Count Haraszthy's wife, Eleanora's Selection Chardonnay is harvested from the windswept Hawk Hill vineyard and the late ripening Stubb's Vineyard. After hand harvesting in early September, the wine was whole cluster pressed, fermented in open top fermenters with lees stirred and hand punch downs. The wine was barrel fermented in tight-grained, 100% French oak barrels, 30% new, for 13 months and then bottled unfiltered.

Complex aromas of jasmine, citrus zest and a touch of nutmeg leap out of the glass of our 2015 Eleanora's Selection Chardonnay. A textured palate of Fuji apple, lemon crème and dried apricot are complemented with a hint of vanilla caramel and coriander. The wine has medium-plus body and spreading, rich mouthfeel balanced with moderate acidity. This beautifully balanced wine is a perfect pairing with grilled lobster or creamy polenta dishes.

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.28

Total Acidity: 6.6

Aging: 13 months in 30% new French Oak

