



## **WINE STATISTICS**

VINEYARDS: 30% Schug Estate; 23% Ricci; 13% Wildcat Mountain; 10% Cornerstones;

9% Sangiacomo Tallgrass; 6% lund; 5% Wood Valley; 4% Leveroni

APPELLATION: 91% Carneros; 9% Sonoma Valley

**HARVEST DATES:** September 4<sup>th</sup> through October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**SUGAR AT HARVEST:** 24.3 degrees Brix average

**FERMENTATION:** 100% barrel fermented

AGING / COOPERAGE: Aged "sur-lie" for 8 months in 17% new medium toast French "Allier"

oak barrels

**ALCOHOL:** 14.1% by volume

**ACIDITY:** TA = 0.70 g/100ml; pH = 3.44

**PRODUCTION:** 4,447 cases (12 x 750ml); 432 cases (12 x 375ml); 25 cases (6 x 1.5L)

**RELEASE DATE:** October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

WINERY RETAIL: \$30 per 750ml bottle

## **WINEMAKER'S NOTES**

This classic Carneros Chardonnay was grown on our own cool-climate Estate vineyard, as well as the Ricci, Cornerstone, Wildcat, Sangiacomo, Leveroni and Iund Vineyards. It was barrel fermented and aged on the lees ("surlie") in small French oak barrels, with minimal new oak introduced. Malo-lactic fermentation was not induced, allowing the wine to retain its natural acidity and varietal focus. The result is a wine that is both rich and powerful, while refreshing and elegant on the finish. It has a ripe, spicy tropical bouquet with flavors that suggest citrus, pear and spiced apples. Well-balanced acidity gives it a crisp, clean finish, making it an excellent wine with food. Try it with cream soups, rich seafood, fowl, veal and pasta dishes.

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