



HILL FAMILY
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2016 Reserve Chardonnay

Production: 300 cases

Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Vineyards: Napa Golf Associates and Mahoney

Appellation: Napa Valley

Elevation: Foothills (500 ft.) and rolling hills

Cooperage: 80% new barrels (Francois Freres 3 year and Vosges, Remond Vosges, Nadalier Perle Blanche)

Alcohol: 14.8%, TA 0.52, pH 3.62

Bottling date: August 17, 2018

Release date: Spring 2019

Release price: \$65.00

The Reserve Chardonnay is a rich elegant wine showing both its cool climate pedigree and the advantage that great sites have on Chardonnay. The wine was barrel fermented with Montrachet yeast and then stayed in barrel for 10 months, going through malolactic with no problems, and continuing with battonage every two weeks to increase depth and texture.

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2016 Reserve Chardonnay presents aromatics of lemon, pineapple a hint of vanilla and lemon rind. The entry develops into flavors of pineapple and peach supported with a rich midpalate. The finish has a rich balance in the center, and finishes smoothly with a hint of lemon zest.