

2016 PEAKE RANCH VINEYARD CHARDONNAY

Retail Price: \$50.00 Alcohol %: 13.9 Varietal: Chardonnay

Region: Santa Barbara County **Appellation**: Santa Rita Hills

Vineyards: 100% Peake Ranch Vineyard

Clones: 548, Hyde, Wente

pH: 3.51

Malo: 100% Malolactic Fermenation

Oak Regime: 100 % French Oak, 45% New

Tasting Notes: The inaugural release of Peake Ranch Vineyard Chardonnay demonstrates serious potential, as it boasts both depth and remarkable freshness. Fruit forward by nature with hints of citrus, green papaya and pineapple skins, paired with a complementary undertone of minerality. An element of opulence is expressed with aromatics of toasted almonds, butterscotch and vanilla bean. Bright acid shines through a silky texture on the palate.



94 points Jeb Dunnuck:

"The 2016 Chardonnay Peake Ranch Vineyard comes from the estate vineyard in the Sta. Rita Hills and has slightly more minerality and salinity as well as notes of poached pears, spice, honeyed minerality, and toasted bread. It's supple, soft and rounded on the palate, which is very much in the vintage, yet finishes clean and crisp. Aged 18 months in 45% new French oak, drink it any time over the coming 7-8 years."

91 points Antonio Galloni:

"The 2016 Chardonnay Peake Ranch Vineyard is decidedly phenolic and structured in feel. Candied lemon peel and citrus notes add brightness to a wine that can be deceptive in its first approach. I would give the 2016 at least a year or two in the cellar to let the angular contours soften with time."