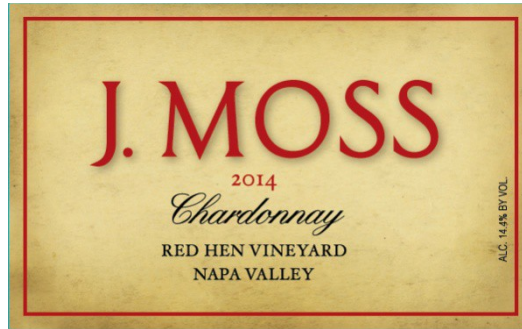


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2014 Red Hen Vineyard Chardonnay Napa Valley



Harvest Date

September 2014

Vineyard Appellation

Oak Knoll District
Napa Valley, CA

Varietal Composition

100% Chardonnay

Alcohol 14.3%

Aging

100% French Oak Barrels
40% new oak

pH 3.41

Proprietor / Winemaker

James W. Moss

Consulting Winemaker

Julie Hagler Lumgair

The 2014 Vintage

Our 2014 Chardonnay showcases the cooling effects of the San Francisco Bay's fog and marine breezes at the benchland base of the Mayacamas Mountains in the Oak Knoll District's historic Red Hen Vineyard. It is a perfect slow ripening micro-climate for the rare See's Clone of Chardonnay.

Winemaking

This very limited production lot was hand-picked at night and gently whole cluster pressed at 49° F to the finest French oak barrels. We barrel fermented with a distinct wild yeast fermentation, then aged the wine sur-lie, with battonage and partial malolactic fermentation to maintain bright, stylish fruit and develop smooth texture. The result is richly expressive.

Tasting notes

This Chardonnay displays bright acidic balance, fresh flavors of apricot, stone fruits, warm baking spices, with satisfying confectionery notes of vanilla and caramel.

The balanced minerality, yet creamy texture and extended finish pair exceptionally well with seafoods, cream sauces, white meats, cheeses and simply enjoying a relaxing glass.