

GAINNEY

VINEYARD



2013 ESTATE GROWN CHARDONNAY, STA. RITA HILLS

WINE NOTES

Our Estate Grown Chardonnay is a blend of grapes from our three ideally situated Santa Ynez Valley vineyards: Rancho Esperanza and Evan's Ranch in the cool-climate Sta. Rita Hills appellation in western Santa Ynez Valley near the Pacific Ocean and our Home Ranch in the warmer, eastern end of the valley. Blending this prime fruit together allows us to craft a deeply flavorful, beautifully textured and delightfully complex chardonnay.

The wine boasts fresh golden apple, spiced pear and melon aromas with citrus and mineral undertones and hints of vanilla, honey and oak spice. Rich and creamy on the palate, its succulent honeyed apple, white peach, lemon-lime and mineral flavors are nicely accented by subtle, spicy oak tones in the long, refreshing finish. Delicious now, this superb Santa Ynez Valley chardonnay will drink beautifully over the next 2-3 years.

Harvest Dates: August 29 – October 14, 2013

Composition: 100% Gainney Vineyard Chardonnay

60% Rancho Esperanza

35% Evan's Ranch

5% Home Ranch

Fermentation: 60% barrel, 40% tank

Barrel Aging: 10 months in 27% new oak (80% French, 20% American)

Bottled: July, 2014

Alc: 13.9%

TA: 0.62 g/100ml

pH: 3.39