

2024 Wild Thing Chardonnay

Sonoma County

Carol's Chardonnay is our golden-haired wild child, an exuberant and delectable mouthful of joy. Sourced from Dry Creek Valley, this vivacious white wine is a classic California Chardonnay with a delicate balance of richness and acidity to please all of you "Wild Things" out there... Remember, you are what you drink!

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Tropical fruits like pineapple and a bit of guava, green apple, oak spice.

Soft creamy mouthfeel, punctuated by bright acidity and a crisp finish. Walks the line between pure stainless steel fermented, leaner Chardonnay and the fat, buttery barrel-fermented style. Very food compatible with

chicken, pork or fish!

Harvest Dates: September 5, 2024

Average Brix at Harvest: 23.8°Brix

Average TA/pH at Harvest: 0.67 gm/100ml pH 3.48

Fermentation Characteristics: Whole Cluster pressed, settled and racked to barrels

All Barrel-fermented, hand inoculated barrel by barrel with 6 yeast strains plus 20% wild yeast (uninoculated). Stirred weekly sur lie for six months (till early March).

About 20% went thru malo-lactic fermentation.

Oak contact: 100% spent 8 months in barrels—

15% 2-year-old French Acacia barrels

85% 2+ year old French oak

Alcohol: 13.5% Residual Sugar: 0.2% (dry)

Total Acidity: 0.64 gm/100ml pH: 3.43

Varietal: 78% Chardonnay

11% Viognier, 5% Malvasia, 3% each Marsanne/Roussanne

Appellation: 83% Dry Creek Valley - Sustainably Grown

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12% Mendocino Co, 5% Central Coast

Cases produced: 779 cases

Bottling Date: April 28, 2025

Release Date: July 1, 2025

