



HOOPES

2015 GENNY'S VINEYARD CHARDONNAY
CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

"Because many of our Hoopes fans love Chardonnay too, we set out to produce a wine that would complement our vision of Cabernet Sauvignon: a wine that blends our old-world approach to production and farming, with a true sense of Napa terroir. Although we have Chardonnay vineyards in Yountville, Anne and Jennifer felt that some of the most interesting terroir for Chardonnay comes from Carneros, and they had a vineyard in mind.

Jen has been working with Genny's Vineyard for several vintages, and believes it is one of the most exceptional vineyards that she has worked with. Genny's Vineyard has been farmed by a local family for decades, and is named after the family's maternal grandmother. Carneros is a very difficult area to farm, but provides some interesting characteristics in the area terroir. It is a cooler area, with maritime influences from the San Pablo Bay, so it is windy with thin soils. The vineyard is therefore very low yield, with small berry size and slow grape development. These tough farming conditions nevertheless build distinctive character."

*- Second Generation Proprietor
Lindsay Hoopes*



TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation: Carneros, Napa Valley
Composition: 100% Chardonnay
Aspect: S X SW
Soils: Haire Loam

Clone: Wente, Robert Young & Dijon
Barrels: 100% French, 33% New Barrel
Aging: 10 Months Sur Lie
Alcohol: 14.3%

PH: 3.67
TA: 5.23 g/L
Date Bottled: July 20th, 2016
Number of Cases: 146

VINTAGE

While 2015 was another dry year; late winter rains recharged the soil profile giving the vines an excellent push come spring. This differed from 2014 in that the balance of fruit to canopy was better, giving more engines for ripeness while allowing the dappled sunlight we seek for flavor and color development.

TASTING NOTES

"Lovely bright straw in color with classic Genny's aromas of ripe juicy pineapple, pear, apple cider and honeysuckle mingle on the nose with creamy buttered biscuits, vanilla and jordan almonds. Present but delicate oak, sweet & creamy, cardamom, nice volume of fruit in the mouth, dried pineapple, straw flowers, ripe pear and sweet gala apple. Full bodied and rich gathering nicely to a clean, persistent and slightly tactile finish. Equally suited to enjoying on its own or with richer fare."

*- Winemakers
Anne Vawter & Jennifer Rue*