

2009 Elysian Chardonnay

Santa Rita Hills

California



THE WINE:

100% Chardonnay from the Evans Ranch Vineyard on the western side of the Santa Rita Hills AVA. 150 cases produced by winemaker Nico Azios.

THE ESTATE:

Elysian, meaning blissful and delightful, from the Greek concept of afterlife filled with pleasure. The Evans Ranch Vineyard is planted to Chardonnay and Pinot Noir and has a maritime influenced climate. Often shrouded in fog and cool ocean breezes, the summers are long with sun-filled afternoons. Sustainably farmed and low-yielding, the Chardonnay grown here is highly sought after.

~Tasting Notes~

Color: Rich, shimmering golden.

Aromas: Creamy citrus and apple aromas. Notes of pineapple, peach and hazelnut are enhanced with toasty oak and vanilla.

Flavors: A rich mouthful of citrus, butterscotch and honeysuckle. The refreshing, crisp acidity and subtle minerality brings to mind thoughts of white Burgundy, yet with creamy and full bodied California coast style.

Food Pairing: Grilled swordfish with a Dijon-soy and garlic marinade.